
Bath & North East Somerset Council

Improving People's Lives

Director of Public Health Annual Report 2021/22

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Extraordinary Times, Extraordinary People

A Time Like No Other



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Chapter 1: The impact of COVID-19

- Impact:
 - On society, employment, education, society, illness, deaths
- Examples of response:
 - Vaccination, testing, and outreach programmes
 - Service adaptation
 - Community Wellbeing Hub - Response to urgent need
 - Community self-organisation
- Voices of local people who prepared for and responded to the pandemic



Chapter 2: The Health Of children, Young People And Families

- Generally, our children and young people are healthy and achieve good outcomes, although...
- Mental disorders increasing
- Increase in number of cyp with SEND
- Early help and intervention services are seeing increase in number of families accessing for interventions

Public health outcomes framework and other key indicators (as of October 2022). We have particularly chosen indicators to show our areas of greatest challenge

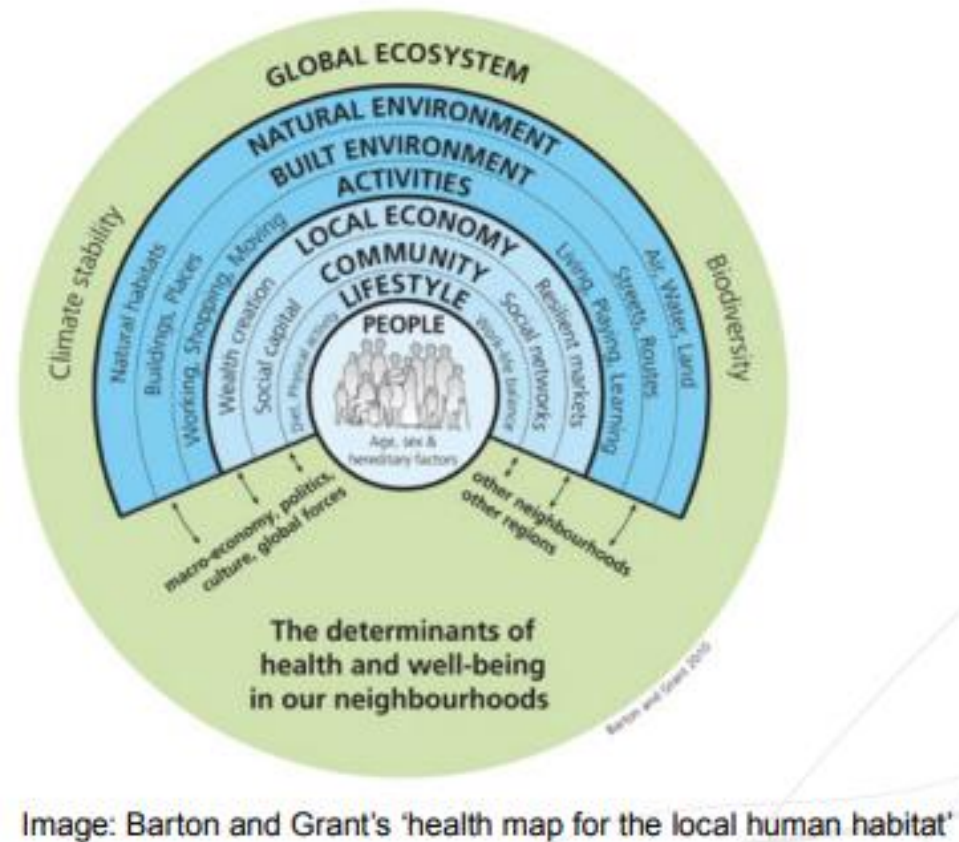
Key for recent trends

- Could not be calculated
- ↑ Increasing/getting better

- No significant change
- ↓ Decreasing/getting worse

Period	Indicator Description	England	South West	B&NES	Recent trend
Health Improvement					
2020	Under 18 conceptions (rate per 1,000)	13.0	10.5	7.1	→
2019/20 i	Reception: Prevalence of overweight (including obesity)	23.0%	22.7%	19.1%	→
2018/19 ii	Year 6: Prevalence of overweight (including obesity)	34.3%	29.9%	25.6%	→
2020/21 iii	Hospital admissions caused by unintentional and deliberate injuries in children (aged 0-14 years), crude rate per 10,000	75.7	92.7	91.0	→
2020/21	Hospital admissions caused by unintentional and deliberate injuries in children (aged 0-4 years), crude rate per 10,000	108.7	143.4	150.0	→
2020/21	Hospital Admissions as a result of self-harm (10-24 years), DSR - per 100,000	421.9	624.9	544.8	→
2018/19-20/21	Admission episodes for alcohol-specific conditions - Under 18's crude rate per 100,000	29.3	46.0	78.1	—
2020/21	% of children living in poverty (after housing cost). Taken from End Child Poverty campaign 2022			18.3%	—
2018/19 vii	School Readiness: the percentage of children with free school meal status achieving a good level of development at the end of reception	56.5%	53.0%	46.5%	→

Chapter 3: The Importance Of Our Places



- The places in which we grow up in and live have a profound effect on whether we live healthy lives.
- Living in neighbourhoods with clean air, good parks, community cohesion, streets that are easy and pleasant to walk and cycle along, places to meet and socialise, good quality warm homes, and who have access to jobs, opportunities, good food and services, improve health
- These are building blocks for good mental and physical health
- Great collaboration on, eg, healthy high streets, Somer Valley rediscovered, liveable neighbourhoods

Chapter 4: Recommendations

Six recommendations:

- 1) Implement the B&NES Living Safely and Fairly with COVID-19 Plan
- 2) Further strengthen the targeted action to support children, young people and families outlined in the Children and Young People's Plan
- 3) Ensure that the new B&NES Local Plan and the B&NES Economic Strategy that are being developed, both maximise their potential to reduce inequalities and make it easier for people to live healthy lives
- 4) Update and implement the B&NES Health and Wellbeing Strategy, ensuring it has a strong focus on addressing inequalities
- 5) The NHS to increasingly embed prevention and inequalities action into its priorities, and be helped to increasingly support social and economic development in B&NES
- 6) All partners of the Health and Wellbeing Board, the Integrated Care Alliance, and the Future Ambitions Board, commit to and deliver on action to improve health and reduce the inequalities that previously existed and have been highlighted as a result of the pandemic

Indicators

- Report contains list of indicators taken from Public Health Outcomes Framework and other key sources
- Indicators particularly chosen to show our areas of greatest challenge
- These will inform identification of priorities in the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy