### B&NES Health Protection Board's 2022/23 Report to the Health and Wellbeing Board

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# Thank you to all members of the Health Protection Board for contributing material for this year's report.

### What is Health Protection?



Protecting the health of the population by improving the prevention and control of communicable diseases and other environmental threats.

- communicable diseases
- chemicals, poisons and radiation
- environmental hazards
- emergency planning, preparedness and response

## Which specialist areas does the Health Protection Board cover?

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#### Healthcare Associated Infection (HCAI)

Key Performance Indicators: MRSA, C.difficile & Ecoli bacteraemia

#### Communicable Disease Control & Environmental Hazards

Key Performance Indicators: Private Water Supplies & Air Quality Management Areas

#### **Health Emergency Planning**

Key Performance Indicators: Civil Contingencies Act requirements

#### **Sexual Health**

Key Performance Indicators: HIV & under 18 conceptions

#### **Substance Misuse**

Key Performance Indicators: Hep B vaccination, Hep C testing, Opiates & Non-Opiates & Alcohol

#### **Screening & Immunisation**

Key Performance Indicators:
National screening
programmes & uptake of
universal immunisation
programmes

# Priorities the Board agreed for 2022-23 that were implemented in 2022-23 and beyond:

No.	Priority	RAG Rating
1	Assurance: continue to monitor the performance of specialist areas, identify risks, ensure mitigation is in place and escalate as necessary	Green
2	Continue to actively participate in the prevention, preparedness and management of outbreaks and incidents with partner agencies to slow down and prevent the spread of communicable disease and manage environmental hazards	Green
3	Continue to ensure that the public are informed about emerging threats to health	Green
4	Support the development and implementation of clean air projects and plans in B&NES	Green
5	Ensure the delivery of the B&NES Living Safely and Fairly with Covid-19 Plan 2022-24, and associated actions, and informed by the evaluation of key interventions	Green
6	Support the development of an Infection, Prevention & Control Strategy across the Integrated Care System, and further embed IP&C prevention across settings	Amber
7	Improve the uptake of flu, pneumococcal, covid and childhood vaccinations in identified eligible groups	Amber
8	Continue to reduce health inequalities, including in cancer screening programmes e.g., bowel and cervical screening	Amber

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# 2022-23 priorities that were RAG rated AMBER

- Support the development of an Infection, Prevention & Control Strategy across the Integrated Care System, and further embed IP&C prevention across settings
- Improve the uptake of flu, pneumococcal, covid and childhood vaccinations in identified eligible groups
- Continue to reduce health inequalities, including in cancer screening programmes e.g., bowel and cervical screening

# **BSW Local Health Resilience Partnership Communicable Disease Plan**



- The Bath & North East Somerset, Swindon & Wiltshire (BSW) Local Health Resilience Partnership (LHRP) Communicable Disease Plan has been reviewed and developed.
- Outlines the expected operational response to communicable disease situations, outbreaks and complex case management and provides a pre-determined multi-agency response to communicable disease incidents/outbreaks that occur across BSW.

### Clean Air Community Engagement Project in Temple Cloud and Farrington Gurney



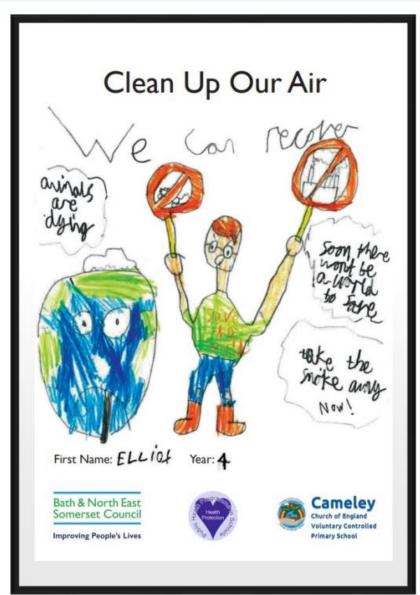
- Areas within Temple Cloud and Farrington Gurney on the A37 were identified as exceeding the national air quality objectives for NO2 concentrations.
- The following measures were included in the final draft Air Quality Action plan (LAQM Annual Status Report, 2021), which we worked towards: Provide advice and information to residents deliver a targeted information campaign for the most vulnerable groups

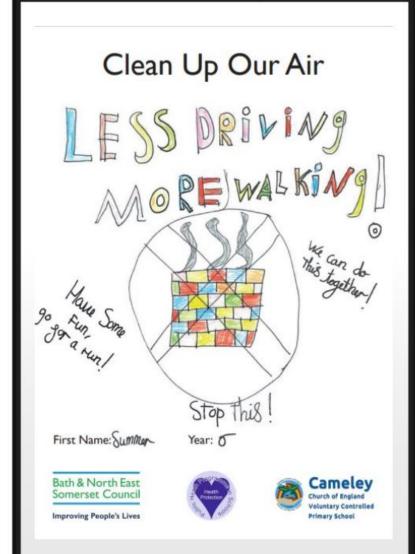
### **Examples of what was done:**

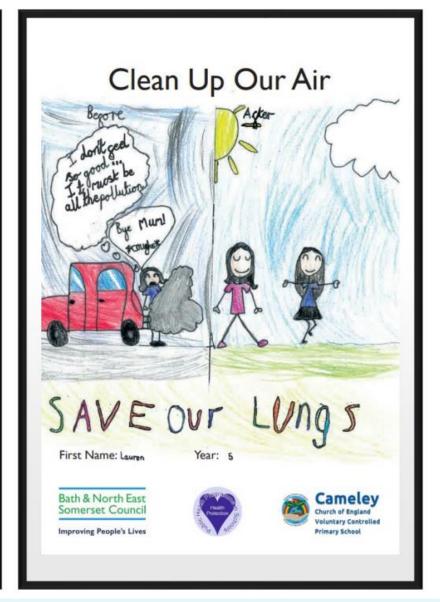
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hand delivering leaflets
                                community displays
                       travel survey
care homes resource
                        lesson plans
                                         clean air day campaign
  maternity services
                             literature reviews
                 3-toolkit
                                                flowershow
                       village agents
                      anti idling banners mobile library
                              gp patient groups
                  schools poster trail
                               0-5 information leaflet
      walk to school week
                                parish council meetings
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# The following 6 priorities have been identified for 2023-24

- 1. Assurance: continue to monitor the performance of specialist areas, identify risks, ensure mitigation is in place and escalate as necessary.
- Continue to actively participate in the prevention, preparedness and management of outbreaks and incidents with partner agencies to slow down and prevent the spread of communicable disease and manage environmental hazards.
- 3. Continue to ensure that the public and partner organisations are informed about emerging threats to health.

# The 6 priorities for 2023-24 continued



- 4. Embed the BSW Local Health Resilience Partnership Communicable Disease Plan to reduce vaccine preventable diseases and reduce transmission of winter illnesses. Use the Sector Led Improvement Plan and Gap Analysis Action Plan to inform this work.
- 5. Contribute to the BSW system wide quality improvement projects, which aims to reduce the incidence of E-coli blood stream infections and Clostridium Difficile infections.
- 6. Help improve immunisation uptake and reduce inequalities in uptake through the following: the BSW Maximising Immunisation Uptake Group, a refreshed B&NES Vaccination Implementation Plan, and through contributing to the development of a new Integrated Vaccine Strategy for BSW.

### **Questions for the Board**

- 1. Is the Health & Wellbeing Board assured that the Health Protection Board has delivered on the priorities from last year?
- 2. Does the Health & Wellbeing Board support the priorities that have been recommended for next year and are there further opportunities to join up with partners to achieve them?

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Any questions?

Thank you