

Notice of Health and Wellbeing Board



Date: Monday, 9 June 2025 at 2.00 pm

Venue: HMS Phoebe, BCP Civic Centre, Bournemouth BH2 6DY

Membership:

Chair: To be elected

Vice-Chair: To be elected

Cllr D Brown	Portfolio Holder for Health and Wellbeing
Cllr R Burton	Portfolio Holder for Children, Young People, Education and Skills
Cllr K Wilson	Portfolio Holder for Housing and Regulatory Services
Cllr S Moore	Portfolio Holder for Communities and Partnerships
Graham Farrant	Chief Executive, BCP Council
Cathi Hadley	Corporate Director - Children's Services, BCP Council
Rob Carroll	Director, Public Health, BCP Council
Glynn Barton	Chief Operations Officer, BCP Council
Betty Butlin	Director of Adult Social Care, BCP Council
Patricia Miller	NHS Dorset
Matthew Bryant	Dorset HealthCare University NHS Foundation Trust
Peter Browning	Dorset Police
Dawn Dawson	Dorset Healthcare Foundation Trust
Louise Bate	Healthwatch
Karen Loftus	Community Action Network Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole
Bradley Stevens	Dorset & Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service
Siobhan Harrington	University Hospitals Dorset NHS Foundation Trust

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GRAHAM FARRANT
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

30 May 2025

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Bias Test

In all the circumstances, would it lead a fair minded and informed observer to conclude that there was a real possibility or a real danger that the decision maker was biased?

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Councillors must act and take decisions impartially, fairly and on merit, using the best evidence and without discrimination or bias

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Openness

Councillors should act and take decisions in an open and transparent manner. Information should not be withheld from the public unless there are clear and lawful reasons for so doing

Honesty & Integrity

Councillors should act with honesty and integrity and should not place themselves in situations where their honesty and integrity may be questioned

Leadership

Councillors should exhibit these principles in their own behaviour. They should actively promote and robustly support the principles and be willing to challenge poor behaviour wherever it occurs

AGENDA

Items to be considered while the meeting is open to the public

1. **Apologies**

To receive any apologies for absence from Councillors.

2. **Substitute Members**

To receive information on any changes in the membership of the Committee.

Note – When a member of a Committee is unable to attend a meeting of a Committee or Sub-Committee, the relevant Political Group Leader (or their nominated representative) may, by notice to the Monitoring Officer (or their nominated representative) prior to the meeting, appoint a substitute member from within the same Political Group. The contact details on the front of this agenda should be used for notifications.

3. **Election of Chair**

To elect the Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board for the 2025/26 Municipal Year.

4. **Election of Vice Chair**

To elect the Vice Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board for the 2025/26 Municipal Year.

5. **Confirmation of Minutes**

To confirm and sign as a correct record the minutes of the Meeting held on 24 March 2025.

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6. **Declarations of Interests**

Councillors are requested to declare any interests on items included in this agenda. Please refer to the workflow on the preceding page for guidance.

Declarations received will be reported at the meeting.

7. **Public Issues**

To receive any public questions, statements or petitions submitted in accordance with the Constitution. Further information on the requirements for submitting these is available to view at the following link:-

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The deadline for the submission of a statement is 12.00 noon, Friday 6 June 2025

The deadline for the submission of a petition is 12.00 noon, Friday 23 May 2025

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

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| 8. Children and Young People's Partnership Plan 2025 to 2030
The final content and design of the plan. | 11 - 54 |
| 9. Better Care Fund 2024-2025 End of Year Report
This report provides an overview of the End of Year Report of the Better Care Fund (BCF) for 2024-25.
The BCF is a key delivery vehicle in providing person centred integrated care with health, social care, housing, and other public services, which is fundamental to having a strong and sustainable integrated Health and Care System.
The report is a part of the requirements set by the Better Care Fund 2023-25 Policy Framework. The report needs to be jointly agreed and signed off by the Health and Wellbeing Board as an element of the planning requirements. | 55 - 58 |
| 10. Health and well-being strategy into action and place based partnership update
To receive a verbal update. | |
| 11. Work Plan
To consider the Board's Work Plan. | 59 - 62 |
| 12. Dates of future meetings
For the Board to note the dates of future meetings as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 6 October at 2.00pm• 12 January 2026 at 2.00pm• 9 March 2026 at 2.00pm | |

No other items of business can be considered unless the Chairman decides the matter is urgent for reasons that must be specified and recorded in the Minutes.

BOURNEMOUTH, CHRISTCHURCH AND POOLE COUNCIL
HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

Minutes of the Meeting held on 24 March 2025 at 2.00 pm

Present:-

Cllr D Brown – Chair

Present: Brad Stevens, Rachel Partridge, Cllr R Burton, Graham Farrant, Cathi Hadley, Betty Butlin, Sarah Herbert, Lizzy Warrington and Jillian Kay

In attendance virtually: Louise Bates, Cllr K Wilson and Dawn Dawson

37. Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr Sandra Moore, Sam Crowe, Patricia Miller, Heather Dixey, Siobhan Harrington, Karen Loftus and Richard Renaut.

Louise Bates, Cllr Wilson and Dawn Dawson attended virtually, meaning they were unable to vote on any matters arising.

38. Substitute Members

Rachel Partridge substituted for Sam Crowe, Sarah Herbert substituted for Siobhan Harrington, Amy Collins substituted for Karen Loftus and Lizzy Warrington substituted for Richard Renaut.

39. Confirmation of Minutes

The Minutes of the Board dated 21 October 2024 and 13 January 2025 were confirmed as an accurate record and signed by the Chair.

40. Declarations of Interests

There was no declarations of interest on this occasion.

41. Public Issues

There were no public issues on this occasion.

42. Community Action Network (CAN)

The Head of the Voluntary Community Sector Development from Community Action Network (CAN) provided a presentation which had previously been circulated to the Board and detailed:

- Information regarding the Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) in Dorset and the Community Action Network
- What CAN did to support the VCS
- Details of the work undertaken by CAN in 2024
- Details of the projects CAN assisted BCP with together with information about their county wide support
- Information regarding the State of Sector Report
- Recommendations moving forward.

The Board discussed the presentation, including:

- The Corporate Director of Wellbeing highlighted the wealth of voluntary and community sectors across BCP and the relationships with public sector organisations, and how could we improve and strengthen it. The Board was advised it would be beneficial if sustainable funding was provided to enable future planning, together with being kept informed and involved in any impactful decision making.
- A Board Member acknowledged the demand increase and the need to work more closer with voluntary partners. The Member expressed concern regarding the increased gap in provision particularly related to social exclusion and was interested to know what was in place to address this. The Board was advised of the actions CAN was taking including highlighting the gap to funding sources and supporting charities to recruit more volunteers to increase sustainability, together with signposting to ensure vulnerable people were aware of the support available.
- A Board Member highlighted the need to work collectively to consider the increase in demand and potential collaborative working which may produce some financial stability, however acknowledged the challenge of when funding streams were no longer available to support services.
- In response to a query, the Board was advised that it was a national picture that there was a decline in the number of people prepared to volunteer and the reasons for that were detailed. The Board was advised that voluntary services were trying to make roles more flexible and consideration was being given to new ways of recruiting volunteers to address this locally.
- A Board Member highlighted the valuable and important role the community and voluntary sector played in the health and wellbeing of residents.
- The Board was advised that BCP had over 1500 volunteers who supported BCP Services who provided an invaluable resource.
- In response to a query about the BCP Council project and ‘trusted reviewers’, the Board was advised of the work of the trusted reviewers and that the project was progressing well with positive feedback.

The Chair concluded that it was the entire voluntary sector which supported health and wellbeing and detailed ways in which CAN supported the community and voluntary sector and thanked them for all they do.

43. Better Care Fund 2024-2025 Quarter 3 Report

The Director of Adult Social Care Commissioning and the Commissioning Manager presented a report, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as Appendix 'A' to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

The report provided an overview of the Quarter 3 Report of the Better Care Fund (BCF) for 2024-25. The BCF was a key delivery vehicle in providing person centred integrated care with health, social care, housing, and other public services, which was fundamental to having a strong and sustainable health and care system.

The report was part of the requirements set by the Better Care Fund 2023-25 Policy Framework. The report needed to be jointly agreed and signed off by the Health and Wellbeing Board as one of the planning requirements.

NHS England (NHSE) required the Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) to approve all BCF plans, this was one of the national conditions within the Policy Framework. This included planning documents at the beginning of a funding period, and template returns reporting progress against the plans quarterly.

The Director of Adult Social Care provided some further information regarding the FutureCare Programme, the change in the framework from sickness to prevention, the minimum uplift of 1.7% and the challenges that presented and the funding from the Disabled Facilities Grant (DFG) and how it would be used to enhance capacity for families and individuals who required it.

The Board discussed the report and presentation, including:

- In response to a query from the Chair about the in-year funding provided from the DFG, the Board was advised that if projects had been identified before the end of the financial year, then the funding would not be lost.
- The Corporate Director of Wellbeing thanked Officers for the report and highlighted the important role of the Board as the governance for the BCF and to bring reports ahead of time as opposed to retrospectively. She also welcomed the end of year report about what had been achieved including stories, impacts and successes.
- In response to a query about the Quarter 3 report and hospitalisation following falls, the Board was advised of the initiatives in place to improve in this area and how the FutureCare could help enhance this work. It was advised that this area could be focused on within the end of year report.

- There were some lengthy discussions around reducing falls and the positive impact that would have to residents and services. It was noted that it was a priority for Adult Social Care and Health partners, and consideration was needed to ensure a joined-up approach to avoid duplication of work. It was highlighted the appropriate forum for this to be considered further was the Urgent Emergency Care Board who would be able to consider potential mapping and any further governance. A Board Member also advised they would take this to the Integrated Care Board for further consideration.
- A Board Member highlighted the potential of using the place-based partnership as a forum to consider reducing falls across the board.
- In response to a query regarding funding, the Board was advised of a breakdown of the funding received used within the Better Care Fund, which included additional contributions for a moving on from hospital living project and it was advised that the discharge funding had been consolidated into the Better Care Grant.

RESOLVED that the Health and Wellbeing Board retrospectively approve the Better Care Fund Quarter 3 Report.

44. Better Care Fund 2025-26 Plan

The Director of Adult Social Care Commissioning and the Commissioning Manager presented a report, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as Appendix 'B' to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

NHS England (NHSE) required the Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) to approve all BCF plans, this was one of the national conditions within the Policy Framework. This included planning documents at the beginning of a funding period, and template returns reporting progress against the plans quarterly.

This report provided an overview of the planning document of the Better Care Fund (BCF) for 2025-26.

The BCF was a key delivery vehicle in providing person centred integrated care with health, social care, housing, and other public services, which was fundamental to having a strong and sustainable health and care system.

The report was a part of the requirements set by the Better Care Fund 2025-26 Policy Framework. The report needed to be jointly agreed and signed off by the Health and Wellbeing Board as one of the planning requirements.

The Director of Adult Social Care advised of the challenges regarding the funding received and the need to have conversations with health partners about the impact it would have, by needing to decommission or reduce funding for some of the schemes offered.

The Corporate Director for Wellbeing acknowledged that the report was published after the agenda and advised should Board Members wish to provide any comments, please provide any feedback before the report needed to be submitted on 31 March 2025.

The Healthwatch representative left the meeting at 3pm.

RECOMMENDED that the Health and Wellbeing Board is invited to comment on the plan and narrative, with agreement that it can be finalised in time for the deadline by officers outside the Board:

- **Better Care Fund 2025-26 Plan**
- **Better Care Fund 2025-26 Narrative**
- **Better Care Fund 2025-26 Capacity & Demand Plan**

45. Health and Wellbeing Strategy to Action through the Place Based Partnership

The Head of Communities, Partnerships and Community Safety presented a report, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as Appendix 'C' to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

The report summarised the proposals and progress towards the development of a Place Based Partnership for Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole as part of the development of the BCP Health & Wellbeing Board 'Plan on a Page' strategy.

The Board discussed the report and presentation, including:

- A Board Member highlighted how positive the work detailed was and the potential for a mapping exercise to reduce falls seemed a great fit.
- The Director of Adult Social Care Commissioning advised of the commencement of a Coproduction Board within its service and of the need to ensure there was joined up working to avoid any duplication.
- A Board Member highlighted the complexities and the need for an action plan to enable initial structure and form. The Member also stressed the need to identify what help and support was needed to enable the partnership to get into delivery mode.
- The Head of Communities, Partnerships and Community Safety requested a standing item on the agenda to provide updates and to enable the Board to help prioritise topics to ensure positive impact could be delivered.
- A Board Member highlighted the need to use this as a method of reducing inequalities in the health and wellbeing of BCP residents.
- The Corporate Director for Wellbeing summarised the progress of strategy into action to date and welcomed the coming together of health partners and BCP Council to focus on the positive outcomes it could achieve for residents.

The Head of Communities, Partnerships and Community Safety advised that some mapping work had already been undertaken, and it was necessary to pull it together for consideration of any gaps identified or any proposals which may come out of that work.

The Chair concluded the item by thanking the Head of Communities, Partnerships and Community Safety and agreeing that this should be a standing item on the Health and Wellbeing Board agenda.

RESOLVED that:

- a. The BCP Health and Wellbeing Board review the outcomes and progress from the workshops focussed on the development of the BCP Place Based Partnership.**
- b. The BCP Health and Wellbeing Board approve the recommendations to progress with the development of the Place Based Partnership and a 'Plan on a Page' in line with the proposal contained within this report.**
- c. Health and Wellbeing Board members commit to playing an active role through their representatives in the Place Based Partnership.**

46. Work Plan

The Chair highlighted the work plan and requested an update on the health and well-being strategy into action place-based partnership work to the June meeting.

It was also highlighted that BCP had a new Director of Public Health and Communities starting so an update on public health on where it was and where it was going to ensure the team deliver on the ambitions for BCP would be beneficial at an appropriate time.

It was noted that the Better Care Fund end of year report would come to the June meeting.

The Chief Executive recorded thanks to the outgoing public health team for their support, which was echoed by the Chair on behalf of the Board.

The Chair recorded thanks to the Corporate Director of Wellbeing as this would be her last Board meeting before leaving BCP Council.

It was highlighted that, as part of the University Hospitals Dorset transformation programme, the Beach (Births, Emergency, and Critical Care, Children's Health) building was going live imminently.

The meeting ended at 3.55pm.

CHAIR



Bournemouth,
Christchurch and Poole

Children and Young People's Partnership Plan 2025 to 2030




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**This is the
Bournemouth,
Christchurch and
Poole partnership plan
to work together to help
children and young
people live their
best lives.**

Forewords

We have big ambitions for our children and young people. There has been a lot of change over the past four years.

In 2020, we could not have imagined the significant impacts of the global pandemic and the cost of living crisis on our families. I know how hard all our local agencies have had to strive to ensure children and young people are kept at the heart of our work.

It has not been easy on our children. This is why I am delighted to introduce our new five year Children and Young People's Partnership Plan. It is an important statement of our commitment to our children and young people and provides clarity about what we will be delivering and what we want to achieve for them.

We have listened to what children and young people want from their lives, from their communities and from local agencies to support them to develop and grow and achieve their potential.

They have developed their vision for the local area:

Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole are great places to live, where all children and young people have the best possible opportunities in life and are supported by the community to flourish and grow in order to succeed.

Our new plan help us to deliver this for our children and young people.

Cathi Hadley

Corporate Director of Children's Services
Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole Council



In our role as Members of the Youth Parliament we have been lucky enough to speak to many of the young people in our local area – what has amazed us has been just how much young people would like to get involved.

There is a general fear amongst young people that their voices aren't listened to. Young people are forced to find different ways to participate and be heard in an effort to make a change in the world which they are to inherit; it's incredibly important that youth voices are listened to. Throughout this plan you will see this message, our voices matter. This is fundamental to its success.

This plan covers the next five years and by 2030 we hope that young people across Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole feel safe and are healthy, with their voices listened to more.

We have some amazing youth participation groups currently in place, but we hope that more young people join youth groups like the Youth Forum and would love to see an increased turnout in the next Youth Parliament elections in 2026, both in the number of schools and the percentage of students voting.

We cannot stress enough that councillors, MPs and any other people in positions of power need to listen to all young people's voices because they are the people of the future. They need to be nurtured and shown that they can make a difference in the political world before they are turned away from it forever.

Elliot, Ryan, Lillee and Ruth

Members of BCP Youth Parliament 2024 to 2026



Supporting and enabling our children and young people to achieve their potential must be a priority for all of us. Our future relies on it. We must do all we can to create the right environment and the right culture to help them succeed. I see on a day-to-day basis children and young people overcoming some unimaginable hurdles and still remaining positive and ambitious for themselves.

All partners across the Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole area must share this responsibility and make sure that all children and young people are at the heart of our work and our plans and most importantly, that we take the time to understand and listen to their views, so we are truly led by them.

This plan provides that framework to move forward and to deliver the best possible outcomes for our children and young people.

It has been informed by their views and partners have had the unique opportunity to make sure their own strategic plans reflect the priorities highlighted and to put in place ambitious and creative ways to deliver these.

It has been a difficult time for our children and young people, and we recognise that we need to put them first, listen to them and deliver for them. This plan helps us to shape what that future can be and I look forward to being part of making this happen.

Councillor Richard Burton

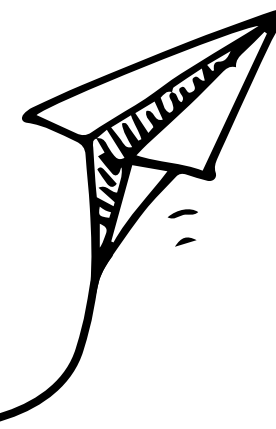
Portfolio Holder for Children, Young People, Education and Skills



Our vision



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Christchurch and Poole
are great places to live,
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to succeed.



Executive summary

We have been working hard since we published our last plan in 2021 and have made many improvements for children and young people. But we know there is always more we can do.

Children and young people are at the heart of this plan and our work, and have been key in its development. We have listened to many young people, hearing the future they want for themselves, for their friends and for their families and have made sure their goals and dreams are represented in this plan.

We have five main priorities for our children and young people:

- Feeling happy
- Being safe
- Feeling supported
- Being included
- Feeling fulfilled

**Young
people know
best when it comes
to knowing what
they need.
Amelia, 14**



To help us work better together, we have developed some partnership principles. These make sure we are always thinking of children and young people and are working collectively, not just for our individual organisations. This will help us develop as a partnership and hold each other to account in a constructive and supportive way.

Our Children and Young People's Partnership board will monitor the delivery of this plan. The board will ensure we continue to make a real difference to children and young people. Individual organisational strategies and plans will reflect our agreed priorities and objectives, so that we can firmly embed these in all our work.

**Being safe
means that as a
young person
I feel listened to by
others. Yazz, 17**





“
Young people
are the future and
should be listened
to. Sid, 18
”

Introduction – working in partnership

This is our plan to work together to help children and young people have best chances in life and be supported by the community to grow and succeed in living their best lives.

We have listened to what our children and young people want from local services, from their schools and what their ambitions are. They told us that they want to feel happy, supported and fulfilled. They also want to be included and safe.

In delivering this plan, we will work together across Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole to help deliver their aspirations. We will make sure that every child and young person can succeed and make sure that the most vulnerable in our communities are supported and protected.

We understand that sometimes things may need to change, such as with new government priorities or wider local or national events, so we will remain flexible and responsive to this. We will keep talking with our children and young people to make sure our plan still makes sense and is relevant to them.



Our plan lasts for five years and will help to shape and be shaped by the wider work across our partnership. We will formalise the delivery of this through our Children and Young People's Partnership Board so we can monitor what is happening and what difference we are all making to the lives of children and young people. We will use data and insight to guide us, using our joint strategic needs assessment to help understand the issues affecting and impacting our children and young people and putting their voice at the heart of our plans.

The partnership includes people from the local council, young people, the NHS, police, youth justice, schools, voluntary and community organisations and parent groups. We know that it can be hard to work together so we want to make sure that we are clear about how we can do this well. We have agreed some ways of working which we think will help us.

Partnership principles

We will work together to help children and young people live their best lives by:

1

Listening to what children, young people and their families need

2

Working together to make sure we have open communication, share information, are consistent and share our approach to decision making

3

Acting early to make sure there is the right help at the right time

4

Ensuring everyone has equal opportunities to be involved and to influence the delivery of better outcomes for children and young people

5

Helping and supporting people and communities to create an environment which is in the best interest of families, children and young people

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Making sure we look at the whole person to make sure we can support them in the best possible way

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Caring for our children and young people as if they were our own



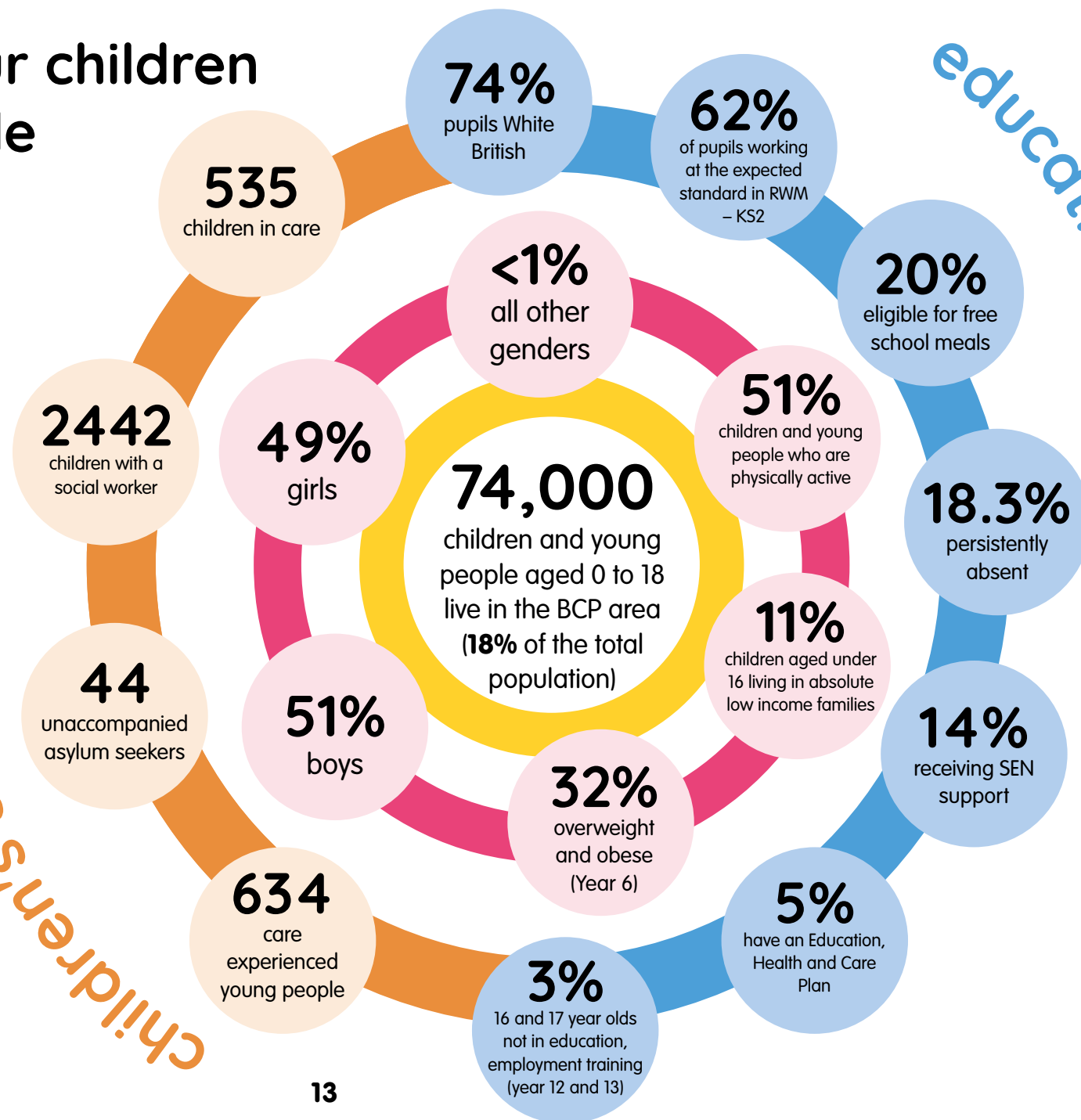
A snapshot of our children and young people

To make sure that we understand our children and young people, we have brought together a range of information which will help us develop more targeted and relevant services. The information shown on this page is an example of the range of data we use to understand our population.

Any references to children and young people should be taken to mean any young person aged 0 to 18, care experienced young people up to the age of 25 and young people up to the age of 25 who have special educational needs and disabilities for whom the local authority continues to provide support.

children's social care

education



I think it's
important to feel
supported so you can
have the confidence
to be yourself and
embrace individuality.
Hattie, 15



Our achievements since 2021

Our plan in 2021 highlighted our ambition for children and young people through our four priorities. We developed these by listening to what children and young people told us and we have continued to listen to their views to create and further develop our new vision and priority areas.

We have achieved a lot over the past four years, improved our approach to working together and worked hard to put the needs of children and young people at the heart of what we do.

Specifically, we have:

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Introduced an early help partnership to **join up early help and support**, transform our **family hubs** and provide **more online guidance** and support for families, children and young people.



Developed, with families, a **plan to improve services for children with special education needs and disabilities** and delivered actions and commitments from the plan.



Supported our young people with learning difficulties to get **work experience** with a view to moving into **paid and permanent employment**.



Created **opportunities** for children and young people **to have a voice** through the youth forums, youth parliament and engagement activities. We have increased their **involvement in decision making** and have encouraged more people to be involved, such as by appointing a care experienced young person to co-chair the council's corporate parenting board.





Made sure our young people leaving care have **appropriate and supported accommodation**.



Supported asylum seeking children through an FA registered football team, to **build confidence, develop friendships and support networks**.



Expanded the use of **diversion options** for children who commit lower-level criminal offences. The number of children entering the formal justice system **has reduced by half** from 2019-20 to 2023-24.

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Introduced **healthy movers training** where 2,056 children have reported **a positive impact** in confidence, physical activity and communication skills.



Launched the Infant Feeding and Child Nutrition Strategy and **increased** the number of mothers **breastfeeding** at 6 to 8 weeks.



Implemented the active lives survey for children and young people, providing a **world-leading approach in measuring** physical activity levels as well as measuring physical literacy, happiness, loneliness and isolation.



Co-produced a new Attendance Strategy, a Belonging and Inclusion Strategy, a SEND and Alternative Provision Sufficiency Strategy and a Not in Education, Employment or Training Strategy.



Supported children in care, through the **Virtual School** to **continue to access education and learning** throughout the **pandemic** ensuring access to laptops, as well as assisting foster carers in supporting home learning with resources and training.



Embedded the **new school attendance requirements** which took effect from Summer 2024 onwards and has seen **improvements in school attendance levels**.

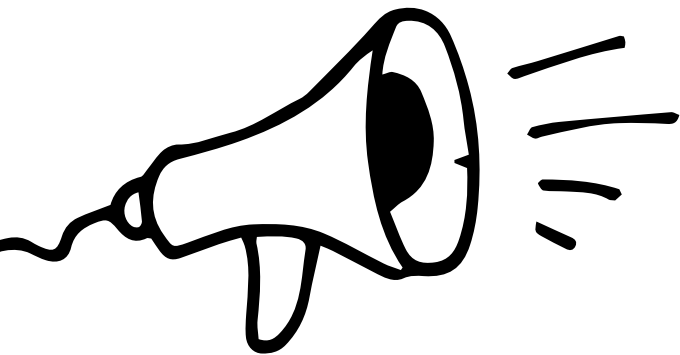
**This
country and
world are made for
adults and it feels like
the youth are pulled
along - adults need
to listen to what the
youth want to
say. Ollie, 14**

What we have heard from children and young people

We worked with children and young people to shape a vision and developed priorities based on what matters most to them, looking at what they want in their lives now and how we can build a strong foundation for their futures.

They told us they need to feel important and included members of society where their voices matter and help shape meaningful change. They wanted to feel supported through challenges and they wanted investment in the spaces that they use, the activities that they have access to and in their skills development for the future. They wanted to feel supported into careers that they are passionate about, beyond the academic focus of schools.

Mental health, wellbeing and safety remain top issues for children and young people.



What children and young people have told us



safety care education **mental health** listen **support** affordable future **inclusivity** reduced stigma equality security **opportunities** SEND support further education **wellbeing** physical health skills activities **protection** encouragement **financial support** happiness youth clubs **stability** reduced stereotyping

In early 2024 local Members of Youth Parliament (MYPs) elections took place. 8,180 young people voted for their chosen candidate, which is 25% of our 11 to 18 year olds across 28 different schools.

We also saw 7,459 of these voters getting involved with the national Make your Mark ballot, telling us what the most important issues were for them. The two main areas of concern identified were:

- crime and safety
- health and wellbeing.

Our MYPs are also developing their work on:

- finance for young people, a reflection on the difficulties that come in the current economic environment and the transition period to becoming a legal adult
- homelessness, which they see as an issue of local and national concern.

Alongside the work of the MYPs, we have proactively sought young people's input on the forming of priorities for this plan. We spoke with:

- 121 college students
- children in care and care experienced young people through their groups UNITE and INSIGHT
- the BCP Youth Forum made up of young people from schools across Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole and some not in education
- young people across the community, in and out of school.

This work was collated and supported the identification of the following five priorities:

1 Feeling happy



2 Being safe



3 Feeling supported



4 Being included



5 Feeling fulfilled



Our priorities for children and young people

Our vision

Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole are great places to live, where all children and young people have the best possible opportunities in life and are supported by the community to flourish and grow in order to succeed.

Our focus

We have focused on the most important issues for children and young people by working with them to understand what matters most to them, now and in the future.



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Our priorities





Feeling happy

Feeling at your best mentally, physically and emotionally



- ☒ Make sure there is easy access to green spaces and fun activities.
- ☒ Ensure the ability to make good choices for better health and wellbeing.
- ☒ Help people access healthy food options and understand the importance of these.
- ☒ Provide opportunities and spaces for children and young people to build peer networks.
- ☒ Support mental wellbeing and boost self-confidence.



As a result...

we
will see

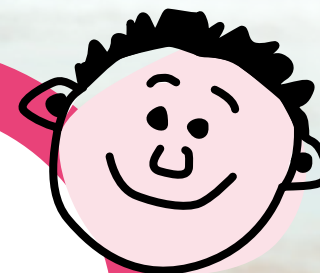



1. Safe and clean green spaces being widely used by the community.
2. Improvements to both physical health and mental wellbeing.
3. Children and young people having healthy weights and being able to maintain these.
4. More take up of and an increase in physical activities.
5. Children and young people feeling supported.

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“
Helping
people to
feel happy
spreads smiles
to everyone.
Hattie, 15
”





“ When you’re young you might get into things like alcohol abuse or gambling. If there’s support groups with people of a similar age, just like you, then you feel comfortable which leads to ultimate support. You feel more committed to it and have acceptance, and you have that help. Brad, 16 and Harvey, 16 ”



Being safe

Having a safe place to live, study, work and play

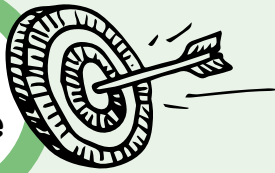


- ☒ Make sure families are in safe, secure and stable home environments.
- ☒ Help parents and carers to support their children and young people.
- ☒ Provide enough suitable and safe homes for our children in care and care experienced young people.
- ☒ Keep children and young people safe from harm including online.
- ☒ Work with communities to make and keep neighbourhoods safe.



As a result...


**we
will see**



1. Access to a range of helpful and easy to find information and guidance, to help people look after themselves.
2. A range of well qualified professionals who support and guide children, young people and families to keep themselves safe.
3. More families having safe, stable and affordable housing resulting in fewer health problems, improved school performance, less psychological stress and more confidence.
4. Children and young people feeling safe from harm, physically, mentally and online.
5. Safer communities with everyone actively playing their part.

**No one
should ever
have to feel
unsafe in the place
they call home.
Scarlett, 15**



A photograph of two young women sitting outdoors on a balcony or patio. The woman on the left has dark hair in a braid and is wearing a pink shirt. The woman on the right has blonde hair, wears a yellow beanie, glasses, and has braces. They are both looking at a tablet held by the woman on the left. In the background, there is a metal railing and a wall with graffiti.

**We
need more
awareness of
activities and how
to get involved.
Leo, 13**



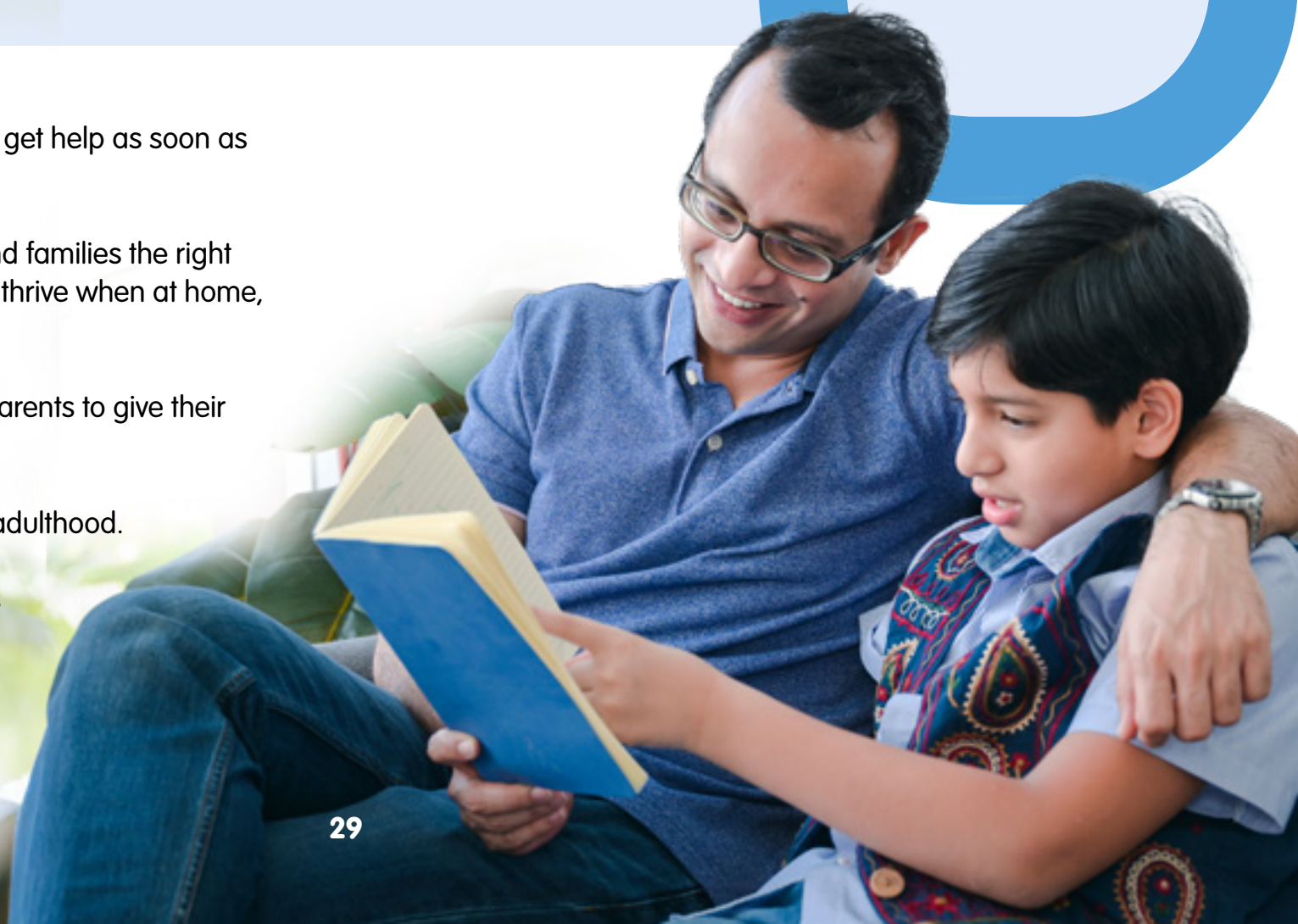


Feeling supported

Having people to turn to for help



- ☒ Make sure people know where to get help as soon as it is needed.
- 39 ☒ Provide children, young people and families the right help at the right time, so they can thrive when at home, school, work or in the community.
- ☒ Support parents-to-be and new parents to give their children the best start in life.
- ☒ Help young people get ready for adulthood.
- ☒ Help people cope with challenges in their lives and ensure ongoing and effective recovery.



As a result...


**we
will see**




1. Well-qualified professionals available to support children, young people and families.
2. More people understanding how to help themselves at an early stage, reducing the need for any formal support and being able to access services effectively.
3. Children, young people and their families only needing to tell their story once because services and partners are more joined up.
4. Positive feedback about feeling supported and positive outcomes from the help and support provided.



**I always enter
with a smile and
leave with a bigger
one. Hanna, 13**



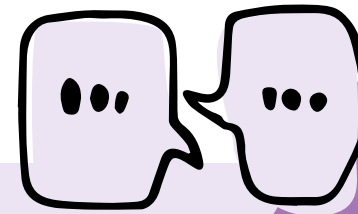
“
Feeling
that you are
not alone in this.
You have
someone here
with you always.
Radiat, 12
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Being included

Being actively involved in the world and activities around you



- ☒ Listen to children and young people at every available opportunity so they are seen and heard and their voices shape services.
- ☒ Design services based on the needs of the individual.
- ☒ Help more children and young people access activities and events by removing financial and physical barriers.
- ☒ Work with families and schools to reduce school exclusions.
- ☒ Support people to be active participants in their community and show how they can make a difference.



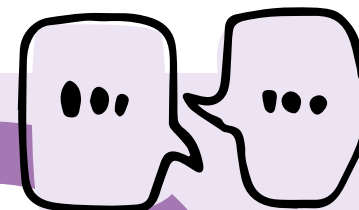
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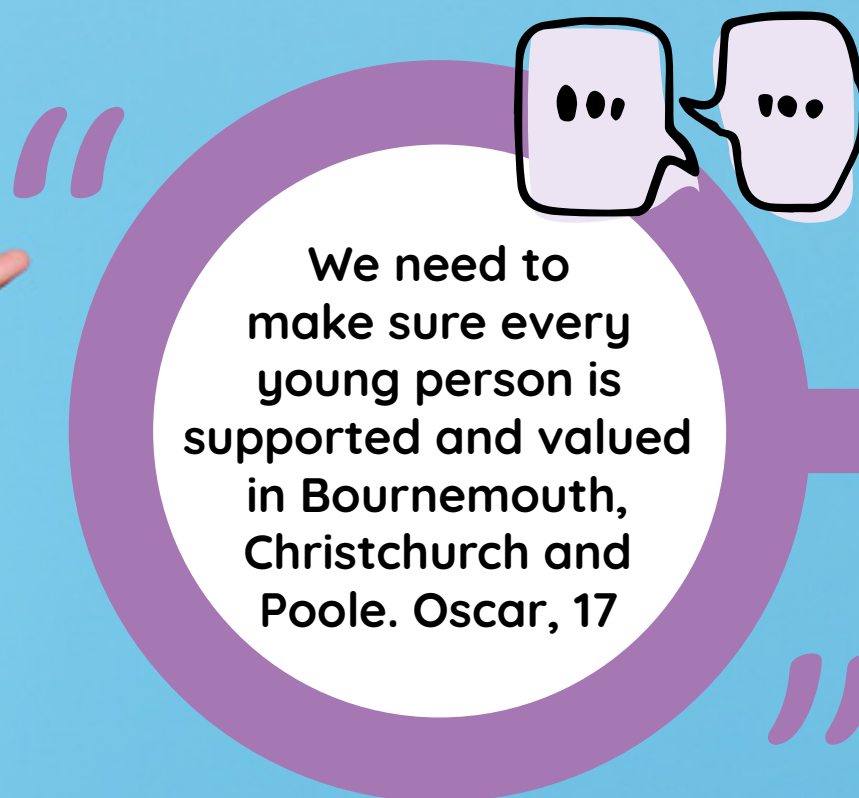
**we
will see**



1. A shared, easy to understand and inclusive language across all partners.
2. Children and young people telling us that they feel listened to, included and have influenced the services they receive.
3. More free or subsidised activities and events for children and young people.
4. Fewer children being excluded from school.
5. More people involved in local activities seeing the positive benefits to themselves and their community.

“
Listen to
young people
- not people who
think they know
young people.
Noah, 15
”





We need to
make sure every
young person is
supported and valued
in Bournemouth,
Christchurch and
Poole. Oscar, 17



Feeling fulfilled

Being proud of yourself and feeling really happy with what you are doing in life



- ☒ Help children and young people find their sense of purpose so they do things that make them happy and excited about life.
- ☒ Ensure a range of opportunities to learn new skills, have tailored learning support including opportunities outside of school, and for young people to have positive experiences and get fulfilling jobs.
- ☒ Create fun and rewarding ways for all children and young people to volunteer and help their communities.

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As a result...

**we
will see**



1. A strong link between employers and learning providers to support young people into work.
2. A well-rounded approach for children and young people to reach their potential, with far less pressure placed on academic achievement.
3. More young people in fulfilling employment, education or training.
4. Young people with special educational needs or disabilities having the support they need throughout their childhood and as they move into adulthood.
5. The right support in place to help care experienced young people to access and succeed in higher education and find the right jobs as a result.



**Help
young people
find who they
are.
Arthur, 11**



**Your
uniqueness is
your superpower,
embrace it with
confidence.
Azeemah, 14**



Delivering our priorities and measuring our success


The operational delivery of this plan will be undertaken by all partners, who will be accountable to the Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole Children and Young People's Partnership Board. The board will measure the impact of the implementation of the plan through regular monitoring of key performance indicators. There are also a number of strategies and plans across the partnership that support the delivery of these priorities.




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Our priorities	We will	Key strategy examples
 <p>Feeling happy</p>	Make sure there is easy access to green spaces and fun activities.	– A Shared Vision for Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole 2024-28
	Ensure the ability to make good choices for better health and wellbeing.	– Early Help Partnership Strategy 2024-26
	Help people access healthy food options and understand the importance of these.	– Dorset Integrated Care Board's Joint Forward Plan 2023-28
	Provide opportunities and spaces for children and young people to build peer networks.	– Green Infrastructure Strategy 2022-31
	Support mental wellbeing and boost self-confidence.	– Public Health Dorset Children and Young People's Programme
		– The Infant Feeding and Child Nutrition Strategy 2024
		– Working better together – Dorset's Integrated Care Partnership Strategy 2022-23

Priorities	We will	Key strategy examples
 <h2>Being safe</h2>	Make sure families are in safe, secure and stable home environments.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Community Safety Partnership Strategy 2022-25 – Corporate Parenting Strategy 2024-26 – Early Help Partnership Strategy 2024-26 – Extra Familial Harm Strategy 2024-26 – Housing Strategy for Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole 2021-26 – Preventing Domestic Abuse Strategy 2020-23 – BCP Safeguarding Children Partnership priorities 2023-25 – Serious Violence Strategy 2024-25 – Sufficiency Strategy for Children in Care and Care Experienced Young People 2024-28 – The Youth Justice 2023-24
	Help parents and carers to support their children and young people.	
	Provide enough suitable and safe homes for our children in care and care experienced young people.	
	Keep children and young people safe from harm including online.	
	Work with communities to make and keep neighbourhoods safe.	
 <h2>Feeling supported</h2>	Make sure people know where to get help as soon as it is needed.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Belonging & Inclusion Strategy 2024-27 – Children's Workforce Development Interim Strategy 2024-25 – Dorset Integrated Care Board's Joint Forward Plan 2023-28 – Early Help Partnership Strategy 2024-26 – SEND Sufficiency Strategy 2024-25 – Working better together – Dorset's Integrated Care Partnership Strategy 2022-23
	Provide children, young people and families the right help at the right time, so they can thrive when at home, school, work or in the community.	
	Support parents-to-be and new parents to give their children the best start in life.	
	Help young people get ready for adulthood.	
	Help people cope with challenges in their lives and ensure ongoing and effective recovery.	

Priorities	We will	Key strategy examples
 <h2>Being included</h2>	Listen to children and young people at every available opportunity so they are seen and heard and their voices shape services.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Alternative Provision Strategy 2023-26 – Attendance Strategy 2024-27 – Belonging & Inclusion Strategy 2024-27 – Dorset Integrated Care Board's Joint Forward Plan 2023-28 – SEND Sufficiency Strategy 2024-25 – The Youth Justice Plan 2023-24 – Working better together – Dorset's Integrated Care Partnership Strategy 2022-23
	Design services based on the needs of the individual.	
	Help more children and young people access activities and events by removing financial and physical barriers.	
	Work with families and schools to reduce school exclusions.	
	Support people to be active participants in their community and show how they can make a difference.	

 <h2>Feeling fulfilled</h2>	Help children and young people find their sense of purpose so they do things that make them happy and excited about life.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – A Shared Vision for Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole 2024-28 – Corporate Parenting Strategy 2024-26 – Not in Education, Employment or Training Strategy 2023-24 – Preparing for Adulthood Strategy 2024 – Skills Plan for Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole 2022-26 – Voluntary and Community Sector and Volunteering Strategy 2021-24
	Ensure a range of opportunities to learn new skills, have tailored learning support including opportunities outside of school, and for young people to have positive experiences and get fulfilling jobs.	
	Create fun and rewarding ways for all children and young people to volunteer and help their communities.	

Everyone
has their own
views and opinions,
and it is nice when
it comes together as
a kind of project,
with different and
amazing things!
Rupika, 12

Thank you

We are grateful for the strong engagement from our partners in the public sector, voluntary sector and most importantly, from children and young people across Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole in developing this plan.

We have undertaken a considerable amount of engagement to develop this plan using feedback from a range of sources and activities.

These include:

- Children and young people workshops, engagement sessions, roadshow and survey
- Partnership workshop and survey
- Parents, carer and professional consultation
- Children's Services staff engagement sessions and survey
- Voluntary sector workshop



Thank you to all the children and young people who have shared their views with us and to all those who have helped them to do so. Thank you also to all the partners who have given up their time to contribute to this plan, in particular, but not exclusively:

- Active Dorset
- Action for Children
- BCHA
- BCP Council
- BCP Council Children's Services
- BCP Youth Forum
- Burton Primary School
- Citizens Advice BCP
- Community Action Network
- DorPiP
- Dorset Combined Youth Justice Service
- Dorset HealthCare
- Dorset Police
- Dorset Women CICF.A.B – Families and Babies
- Glenmoor and Winton Academies
- Homestart Wessex
- INSIGHT Forum (Care Experienced Young People)
- Livingstone Academy

- Maddie's Miracle
- Match Mothers
- Members of BCP Youth Parliament
- Minstead Trust
- My Bnk
- My Time Young Carers
- NHS Dorset
- Parent Carers Together
- Public Health Dorset
- Safempowerment
- Safe Families
- Safer BCP
- Space Youth Project
- Stormbreak CIO
- The Colour Works Foundation
- The You Trust
- Twynham Learning
- UNITE (Children in Care Council)
- Untapped Art Therapy
- Victim Support
- YMCA Bournemouth





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HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD



Report subject	Better Care Fund 2024-2025 End of Year Report
Meeting date	9 June 2025
Status	Public Report
Executive summary	<p>This report provides an overview of the End of Year Report of the Better Care Fund (BCF) for 2024-25.</p> <p>The BCF is a key delivery vehicle in providing person centred integrated care with health, social care, housing, and other public services, which is fundamental to having a strong and sustainable integrated Health and Care System.</p> <p>The report is a part of the requirements set by the Better Care Fund 2023-25 Policy Framework. The report needs to be jointly agreed and signed off by the Health and Wellbeing Board as an element of the planning requirements.</p>
Recommendations	<p>It is RECOMMENDED that:</p> <p>The Health and Wellbeing Board approve:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Better Care Fund 2024-25 End of Year Report
Reason for recommendations	NHS England (NHSE) require the Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) to approve all BCF plans, this is one of the national conditions within the Policy Framework. This includes planning documents at the beginning of a funding period, and template returns reporting progress against the plans quarterly.
Portfolio Holder(s):	Cllr David Brown, Portfolio Holder for Health and Wellbeing
Corporate Director	

Report Authors	Scott Saffin, Commissioning Manager – Better Care Fund and Market Management Becky Whale, Deputy Director, UEC and Flow - NHS Dorset
Wards	Council-wide
Classification	For Decision

1. Background

1.1 This report is a covering document detailing the content of the Better Care Fund (BCF) 2024-25 End of Year Report. The report is made up of a single document template.

The template is provided by NHS England and is completed jointly between BCP Council and NHS Dorset. The document is as follows.

- Confirmation that National Conditions are being implemented.
- Reporting of local performance against the BCF Metrics year to date.
- Capacity and Demand (C&D) Guidance & Assumptions
- Spend and Activity data
- Updates on narratives relating to C&D, and the metrics
- Year-End Impact summary

1.2 The BCF is a Programme spanning both the NHS and Local Government, which seeks to join-up health and care services, to promote people's ability to manage their own health and wellbeing and live independently in their communities for as long as possible.

1.3 The BCF pooled resource is derived from existing funding within the Health and Social Care System, such as the Disabled Facilities Grant (DFG) and additional contributions from Local Authority and NHS budgets. In addition, grants from Government have been paid directly to Local Authorities i.e. Improved Better Care Fund, which is used for meeting adult social care needs, reducing pressures on the NHS, and ensuring that the social care provider market is supported. The Discharge Fund is also now incorporated into the BCF and is subject to quarterly reporting against spend and activity.

1.4 The end of year report on all schemes and metrics of the Better Care Fund for 2024/25 will be submitted to Better Care England

2. The Better Care Fund 2024-25 End of Year Report

2.1 The planning requirements dictate that this document is presented to the Health & Wellbeing Board on Monday 9 June for approval.

2.2 The health and social care landscape continues to challenge performance, but BCP Council are on track to meet 2024/25 targets for:

- Percentage of people who are discharged from acute hospital to their normal place of residence.
- Unplanned hospitalisation for chronic ambulatory care sensitive conditions.

Performance is not on track for:

- Emergency hospital admissions because of a fall in people aged 65 and over directly age standardised rate per 100,000.
- Rate of permanent admissions to residential care per 100,000 population

2.3 The report shows the spend and activity of all the schemes that are funded through the BCF.

2.4 All schemes are being implemented as planned from the BCF Planning Template 2024/25, which was approved at the 15 July 2024 Health & Wellbeing Board meeting.

3. Summary of Financial Implications

3.1 BCP Council and NHS Dorset continue to monitor BCF budgets and activity for 2023-25 Plan.

3.2 The previously approved plan provides a very detailed breakdown of the spending by scheme type, source of funding and expenditure (See Appendix 2). A high-level view of this is detailed in the table below:

Source of Funding	Income
Disabled Facilities Grant	£3,837,600
Minimum NHS Contribution	£36,352,413
Improved Better Care Fund	£13,438,749
Additional Local Authority Fund	£2,182,000
Additional NHS Contribution	£13,049,700
Local Authority Discharge Funding	£3,140,153
ICB Discharge Funding	£3,500,773
Total	£75,501,388

4. Summary of Legal Implications

4.1 New Section 75 agreements, (in accordance with the 2006 National Health Service Act), will be put in place as prescribed in the planning guidance for each of the pooled budget components in the fund.

5. Summary of human resources implications

5.1 The services funded under the BCF are delivered by a wide range of partners some of whom are employed by BCP Council and many who are commissioned by BCP to deliver these services. There are no further human resources implications to note.

6. Summary of sustainability impact

6.1 Services are only sustainable if funding is available.

7. Summary of public health implications

7.1 The BCF is a key delivery vehicle in providing person centred integrated care with health, social care, housing, and other public services, which is fundamental to having a strong and sustainable health and care system.

8. Summary of equality implications

8.1 An Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) was undertaken when the Better Care Fund schemes were implemented and there have been no changes. Additional EIAs will be undertaken if there are any proposed future changes to policy of service delivery.

9. Background papers

[2023 to 2025 Better Care Fund policy framework - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/policies/better-care-fund)

[Addendum to the 2023 to 2025 Better Care Fund policy framework and planning requirements - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/policies/better-care-fund)

10. Appendices

Appendix 1: [Better Care Fund 2024-25 End of Year Report Template](#)

Appendix 2: [Better Care Fund 2024-25: Planning Template](#)

BCP Health and Wellbeing Board

Work Plan

Updated: 23 April 2025

	Subject and background	Anticipated benefits and value to be added by HWB engagement	How will the scrutiny be done?	Lead Officer	Report Information
9 June 2025					
	Children and Young People's Partnership Plan		Committee Report	Cathi Hadley, Corporate Director of Children's Services	Added at meeting on 13/1/25
	Better Care Fund 2024-25 End of Year Report		Committee Report	Scott Saffin, Commissioning Manager – Better Care Fund and Market Management	
	Health and well-being strategy into action place based partnership work		TBC	Rob Carroll and Cat McMillan	

	Subject and background	Anticipated benefits and value to be added by HWB engagement	How will the scrutiny be done?	Lead Officer	Report Information
6 October 2025					
	Bournemouth, Christchurch & Poole (BCP) Safeguarding Adults Boards Annual Report 2023-2024	To consider the SAB Annual Report	Committee Report	Siân Walker-McAllister, Chair, SAB	Received annually in the Autumn
	BCP Children's Safeguarding Annual Report	To consider the Annual Report	Committee Report	TBC	
	Health and well-being strategy into action place based partnership work		TBC	Rob Carroll and Cat McMillan	
	Better Care Fund 2025-26 Quarter 1 Report		Committee Report	Scott Saffin, Commissioning Manager – Better Care Fund and Market Management	

	Subject and background	Anticipated benefits and value to be added by HWB engagement	How will the scrutiny be done?	Lead Officer	Report Information
12 January 2026					
	Health and well-being strategy into action place based partnership work		TBC	Rob Carroll and Cat McMillan	
9 March 2026					
	Health and well-being strategy into action place based partnership work		TBC	Rob Carroll and Cat McMillan	
Future items to be allocated to meeting dates					

Changes to hospitals, role of hospitals and responding to the needs of Communities	To consider the changes going on in local hospitals to include significant changes in mental health provision.		TBC – highlighted by Richard Renaut	Consider whether update to Board or possible Council wide briefing?
Fuel Poverty due to withdrawal of allowance	To monitor this issue	Committee Report	TBC	Suggested by SC Update – date tbc
Better Care Fund	To receive a mid year progress update	Committee Report	TBC	TBC
Update from the Urgent Emergency Care Board	To receive an update	Committee report	TBC	Requested at meeting on 13/1/25
Community Safety Partnership work	To receive an update	Committee report	TBC	Suggested at meeting on 13/1/25

Dates for the 2026/27 Municipal Year

- 29 June 2026 at 2pm
- 12 October 2026 at 2pm
- 11 January 2027 at 2pm
- 5 April 2027 at 2pm