



HEALTH AND WELLBEING STRATEGY 2022 TO 2026

Levelling the playing field in Thurrock

We want to hear your views on proposals to address health inequality

Thurrock Health and Wellbeing Strategy refresh

We are seeking the views of Thurrock residents on proposals for Thurrock's Health and Wellbeing Strategy refresh. The full consultation can be found online at <https://consult.thurrock.gov.uk/>.

Based upon previous feedback, the Health and Wellbeing Strategy has been set out into six proposed areas of people's lives or domains. We are interested to hear your views on the proposed domains and priorities to support the refresh of the Strategy.

Domain 1 – Healthier for Longer (including Mental Health)

Domain 2 – Building Strong & Cohesive Communities

Domain 3 – People-Led Health and Care

Domain 4 – Opportunity for All

Domain 5 – Housing and the Environment

Domain 6 – Community Safety

Domain 4 - Opportunity for All

Summary aim

We want Thurrock residents to achieve their potential by being able to access high quality education & training, securing good quality employment and making the most of new opportunities created through inward investment to the borough's wider regeneration programmes.

Challenges

- While Thurrock's overall performance is good in terms of delivering education, it masks poorer performance in children that are more deprived, including those receiving Free School Meals.
- Young people classified as 'Not in Education, Employment or Training' (NEET) are considered to be at greater risk of poor physical and mental health, unemployment and low quality or low paid wage in later life.
- Skills levels in Thurrock are lower and numbers of people working in management, professional and technical occupations are lower across the east of England and Great Britain.
- Unemployment contributes to poor health, therefore getting people into work is of critical importance to reduce health inequalities.
- Living in disadvantaged circumstances limits access to opportunities, having social, physical and health impacts.
- Economic growth should benefit all communities in Thurrock, including more deprived areas across the borough.

Goals

- By raising aspirations and reducing the disadvantage gap, all Thurrock children and young people are able to achieve their potential.
- Support young people and adults to gain qualifications, skills and experience to progress into further and higher education, apprenticeships or sustained employment.
- Those from vulnerable groups or places in the borough who have lost jobs through the pandemic are supported so they are able to find employment, and benefit from opportunities to re skill or upskill.
- Work together to level up economic and social opportunity for people living in disadvantaged circumstances.
- Local people are able to benefit from the large regeneration programmes happening in Thurrock

We welcome your feedback on the following questions

Q1. Do you agree with the aim of this domain?

Yes No

Please provide information to explain your response

Q2. Do you agree with the challenges that have been identified?

Yes No

Please provide information to explain your response

Q3. Are there any other challenges that should be considered?

Yes No

Please provide information to explain your response

Q4. Do you agree with the goals that have been proposed?

Yes No

Please provide information to explain your response

Q5. Are there any other goals that should be considered?

Yes No

Please provide information to explain your response

Thank you for taking the time in completing this survey. We appreciate your feedback.

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