Creating happy, healthy and resilient communities through planning

Public Health Local Plan Input

- City of York Council has been recognised for its innovative work on its local plan by the National Planning Advisory Service. Public Health officers have been involved in workshops to establish and viability of the proposed major strategic development sites.
- We have commented on the health implications of over 80 proposed housing sites.
- We are part of the new Community Infrastructure Levy working group.
- We have had input into the policy statements within the core strategy which cover active travel, air quality, community facilities, open space, education sites and sports facilities.
- We now have a Health & Wellbeing Chapter in our draft local plan, which has received wide support through
 public consultation. Within this section there are seven key policies that align to the Joint Health and
 Wellbeing Strategy priorities and will provide the levers to ensure that new developments within the city will
 have to demonstrate how they create happy, healthy and resilient communities.

Evidence Documents

- We are writing the city's playing pitch strategy which is being used as an evidence base for the local plan.
- We are producing the city's built sports facilities strategy which is being used as an evidence base for the local plan.
- We are on the steering group for the Green Infrastructure strategy for the city.
- The city's Health &Wellbeing Strategy and JSNA are both referenced as evidence bases in the draft local plan

Healthy Communities

We are mapping community assets, the layout, design and connectivity of our communities
to help understand what the physical barriers to good health are and to develop projects
with our community representatives to tackle these. Projects include:

- Developing additional sports playing pitches on the boundary of 4 wards which have a shortage of open space.

- A community regeneration project which aims to provide opportunities for locally grown fresh food.

- Plans for an additional 80km of cycle network in the city over the next 3- 5 years.

- A self build housing project.
- Working with businesses and community groups to promote and develop "One Planet York".

What do you think are the Spatial priorities for Public Health?



