

Health Inequalities Task Force

Update for HWB Steering Group – 11th April 2024



Current Activity

A Hot Focus Session on Health Inequalities was held on 6 March. This sought to develop participants' understanding of health inequalities, who experiences them, and their impacts. A data led approach was used to highlight the particular situation with regards to key health inequalities in West Berkshire. Various models, tools and frameworks were presented to highlight different ways of thinking about and acting to address inequalities.

Workshop sessions were held to look at three key aspects of health inequalities:

1. Closing early years education gaps
2. Improving outcomes for adults with learning disabilities
3. Empowering sub-groups to tackle health inequalities

A report summarising the outcomes from the workshops is included in the HWB Steering Group agenda.

Future Actions

Next steps need to be agreed to build on the outcomes of the Hot Focus Session, with clear actions allocated to the other sub-groups to identify and address inequalities within their areas.

It is recommended that future hot-focus sessions should seek to address particular aspects of health inequalities in West Berkshire.