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## Director of Public Health Annual Report II

### Executive Summary:

This is the second Annual Report by a Director of Public Health for Oxfordshire (jointly appointed by the NHS and the County Council). The recommendations are made independently for all organisations in Oxfordshire and for the public.

The aims are simple:

1. To report on progress made in the last year and set out challenges for the next year
2. To continue to galvanise action on five main threats to the future health, wellbeing and prosperity of Oxfordshire

The five main long-term threats are:

- Breaking the cycle of deprivation
- An ageing population – the “demographic time bomb”
- Mental health and wellbeing: avoiding a Cinderella service (newly added this year)
- Preventing obesity: a major cause of chronic disease
- Fighting killer infections

This report is designed to summarise the major health needs for Oxfordshire’s residents so as to directly influence the detailed planning of all partners during 2008/9.

**The main body of report can be accessed from**

<http://www.oxfordshirepartnership.org.uk/wps/wcm/connect/OxfordshirePartnership/Home/Partnership+news/OP+++News+++DPH+report+08>

### Recommendation

The Oxfordshire Partnership is asked to accept and support implementation of all recommendations in the report.

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