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# What's happening?

We all want Greater Manchester to be a better place to live with **healthier, wealthier and happier people**. We know that the things which will help people be healthier are jobs, good housing and connections to families and community and the right public services.

**The challenge is big;**  
the money available for our public  
services is reducing every year.

But the opportunity is also huge and this is why we've done a deal with the government to take charge of the £6 billion spent on health and social services.

Our goal is to see the **greatest and fastest improvement to the health, wealth and wellbeing of the 2.8 million people** in the towns and cities of Greater Manchester.

It won't stop our money challenges - we're facing a £2 billion shortfall over the next five years - so there will continue to be tough decisions about the future of some public services, just as in recent years.

But taking charge of how the money is spent gives us all the chance to try and solve some of the problems we've had for a long time. It's going to take the ideas and energy of all of us if this is going to work.

## What does this mean for me?

The **ten boroughs** across Greater Manchester already work together in lots of areas, for example public transport. In return for getting control of the £6 billion spent on the NHS and social care, all 37 NHS organisations and councils had to develop and agree a five year plan for Greater Manchester, setting out how they might help people here be healthier and secure the long term future of our public services.



There are **four main areas** for change.

### 1. Start well, live well, age well – prevent more ill health

Many people living across Greater Manchester have ill health - some suffering very poor health and there are huge differences in where you live. We generally have poorer health than the UK average. For example, illnesses like cancer and heart disease affect more people in Greater Manchester than in most areas of the UK.

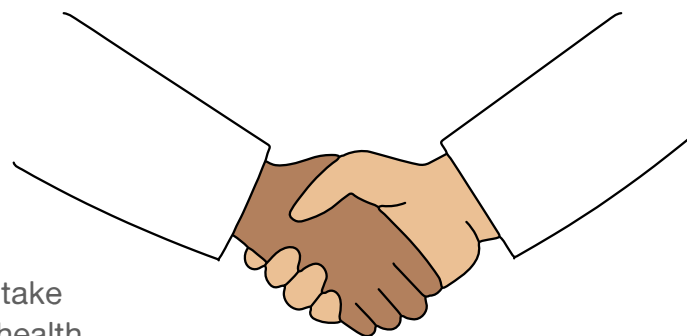
Ill health can be caused by many things such as unemployment, debt, loneliness, air pollution, smoking and what you eat and drink. There are many other things that cause ill health, but we want to try to change the things we can have an impact on.

Together, with you, your families and your community, we want to create better services in the future that fit your needs. We also want you to be able to make better health and wellbeing choices and listen to what ideas you have to make this change happen.



## 2. Local community services working better together

In many parts of Greater Manchester, local organisations have already started working better together. We want to take this further, with GPs, hospital doctors, nurses and other health professionals coming together with social care teams and voluntary groups to develop Local Care Organisations, with hospitals only needed for specialist care.



## 3. Hospitals working more closely together

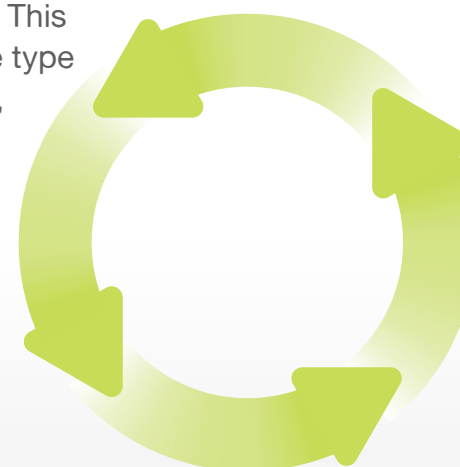
Doctors, nurses and other health and social care professionals have skills and experience that should be shared more widely across Greater Manchester, so that everyone can benefit equally from the same high standards of care. This will build on the strong history of sharing best practices across all our hospital sites - ensuring better standard of care, staffing cover across the sites and allowing staff to do further training, including specialist work. As more routine care is provided in the community - closer to home - the more hospitals can concentrate on providing specialist and critical care and getting people treated and cared for in the right places.



## 4. Sharing buildings, roles, ideas and ways of working

There are lots of ways we could share things across the public sector. This could mean sharing buildings, so they are used better, using the same type of technology, creating jobs which work across health and social care, or even wider, and looking at the best ideas that work and using them in other parts of Greater Manchester.

Lots of these things may already be happening in your local area and that won't change. We will look to share the best ideas and ways of working and use these throughout Greater Manchester.



## What's the deal?

The long term health and wellbeing of people will only be better through a new relationship between people and the services they use. If we are going to change the long-term health of Greater Manchester and protect our public services for the future, we will need to strike a new deal.

If public organisations take charge of, and responsibility for, their local areas then we will have to ask people locally to take greater charge of, and responsibility for their own health.

### For example, public organisations will:

- Ensure there are a wide range of facilities within local communities including parks, open spaces, leisure, safe cycling routes, good quality housing.
- Ensure easy, timely access to good quality, GP surgeries, seven days a week, to screen, diagnose and treat and prevent disease as early as possible.
- Support families to **start well** bring up their children to have the best start in life
- Support people to **live well**, helping unemployed people into work or training and helping people benefit from the fastest growing economy in the UK.
- Assist people to **age well** by keeping healthy and connected to their neighbours for as long as possible at home.

### At the same time you can:

- Keep active at whatever stage of life.
- Register with a GP and go for regular check-ups - taking charge of your own health and wellbeing.
- Drink and eat sensibly, ideally, not smoking and encouraging your children to do the same.
- Take time to be supportive parents or guardians, encouraging children to be the best they can be.
- Take advantage of training and job opportunities, setting high aspirations for you and your families.
- Support older relatives, friends and neighbours to be as independent for as long as possible.
- Get involved in your local communities.



By working together and planning for change, we will improve services to increase the wellbeing of our people and create a **strong, safe** and **sustainable** health and social care service that is fit for the 21st century.

Here are some of our **extra aims over the next five years by 2021.**

### Start well



**Babies:** We want to reduce the risk of low birth-weight babies. Reducing the number of low birth

**Aim:** 270 fewer very small babies (under 2500g, or 5.5lbs).

**Children:** We want more children to get off to the right start by having a good level of social and emotional growth, so they are ready for school.

**Aim:** 3250 more children will have a good level of development.



### Live well

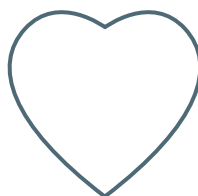
**Cancer:** We want fewer people to die early from cancer.

**Aim:** 1300 fewer deaths from cancer.



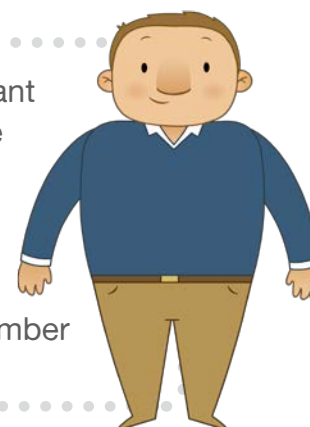
**Heart Disease:** We want fewer people to die early from heart disease.

**Aim:** 600 fewer deaths from heart disease.



**Reducing effects of poverty:** We want family incomes to increase with more people in work.

**Aim:** 16,000 fewer children in Greater Manchester living in poverty by increasing the number of parents in employment.



**Respiratory disease:** Fewer people will die early from lung disease or breathing problems.

**Aim:** 580 fewer deaths.



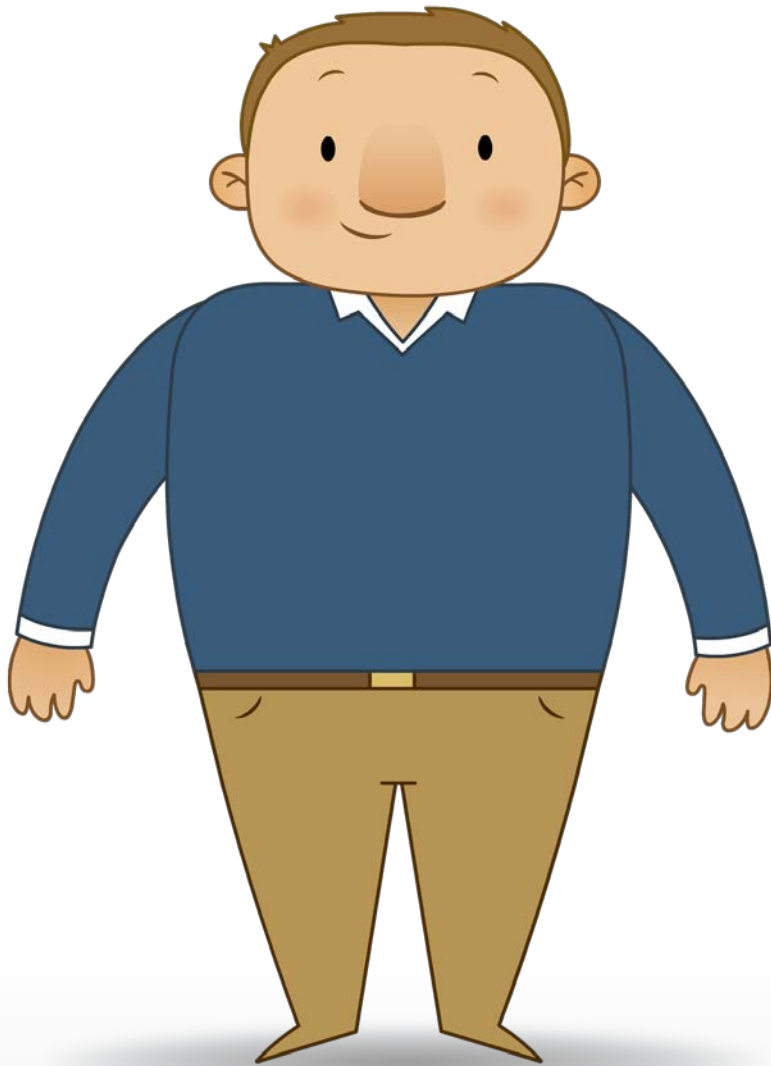
### Age well

**Older people:** We want more people to be supported to stay well and live at home for as long as possible.

**Aim:** 2,750 fewer serious falls



# Frequently asked questions



## What is health and social care devolution?

From April 2016, we will have the responsibility and freedom to make decisions about health and social care across Greater Manchester.

Local councils and NHS organisations in Greater Manchester (GM) have agreed with the Government that more decisions affecting people across GM will be made here, instead of nationally.

The plans for Health and Social Care have been developed together by the 10 local councils and the 27 NHS organisations (12 Clinical Commissioning Groups and 15 NHS Hospital Trusts) within the 10 Greater Manchester boroughs of:

1. Bolton
2. Bury
3. Oldham
4. Manchester
5. Rochdale
6. Salford
7. Stockport
8. Tameside
9. Trafford
10. Wigan

### This new way of working will cover:

#### ● Health

Health means anything from how to stay healthy and supporting you not to get ill, to caring for you when you are ill, have a long term health condition, or injury.

#### ● Social care

Social Care helps people who are in need of practical support due to illness, disability, old age or a low income.



## Who makes the decisions?

Senior leaders of all the 37 organisations involved.

## Are other organisations in Greater Manchester involved?

NHS organisations and local councils will work closely with the police, fire, voluntary and community organisations as well as other relevant organisations to carry out this new way of working including:

- Policing and crime
- Housing
- Transport
- Planning decisions
- Support to businesses
- Skills and Training

## What is the big Plan?

The Plan - Taking charge of our health and social care in Greater Manchester, is the start of the ambitions for GM taking full responsibility for the £6 billion health and social care money from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016. It talks about how we are going to be working together with the organisations and with residents to improve health and care over the next five years.

It builds on many years of work between the people of Greater Manchester and the organisations which run public services to improve health, wealth and wellbeing. It is also based on new conversations and partnerships with Government and other national bodies.

## What next?

- There are very few detailed changes proposed at the moment – The Plan and summary are on [www.gmhealthandsocialcaredevo.org.uk](http://www.gmhealthandsocialcaredevo.org.uk)
- Detailed plans are being developed over the next few months. If there are future substantial changes which affect how services are provided, there will be formal consultations with staff and the public.
- We want people to feedback ideas through your own local health and care organisations, through community roadshows coming to each borough during February and March 2016, online and through social media - see below.
- At the same time each GM borough will be talking to people about their own borough's plan and how they fit into the Greater Manchester picture.
- To join the conversation and for the chance to win a set of family bikes please fill in a quick health snapshot by 31st March 2016 - [www.takingchargetogether.org.uk](http://www.takingchargetogether.org.uk)



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