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Anti-social behaviour covers a wide range of unacceptable activity that causes harm to an individual, to their community or to their environment. This could be an action by someone else that leaves you feeling alarmed, harassed or distressed. It also includes fear of crime or concern for public safety, public disorder or public nuisance.

The police, local authorities and other community safety partner agencies, such as Fire & Rescue and social housing landlords, all have a responsibility to deal with anti-social behaviour and to help people who are suffering from it.

**Prevalence**

The rate of calls for service to the Police, in relation to anti-social behaviour has been significantly lower in Wolverhampton than the West Midlands, in each of the past 5 years (2011/12 - 2015/16). Rates of calls for service to the Police have decreased in Wolverhampton over the past two years, whereas the West Midlands figures have varied but not followed a consistent trend. Therefore, the gap between the Wolverhampton rate and the West Midlands rate has decreased over the past 5 years.

**Monthly Calls for Service**

The monthly figures for the number of calls for service to the Police in relation to Anti-social behaviour has varied considerably since April 2011, varying between 767 in April 2011 and 264 in January 2016. Throughout the 5 year period, numbers of calls have peaked during the summer months and been lowest during winter months. In general, the linear trend line suggests that numbers have decreased over the five year period.

**Share of Calls, by Local Police Unit**

As a share of the calls for service received by West Midlands Police Force between April 2015 and March 2016, 8% were made to Wolverhampton’s Local Police Unit. Wolverhampton is ranked 8th in the West Midlands for the number of calls. Only Solihull and Birmingham North LPU’s had less calls for service in the West Midlands.

**What this information tells us?**

- The rate of calls for anti-social behaviour is lower in Wolverhampton compared to the West Midlands, and the gap has decreased from 2011-12 to 2015-16.
- The number of monthly calls for anti-social behaviour peak in the summer in Wolverhampton.
- Wolverhampton’s police unit has the third smallest share of calls for anti-social behaviour in the West Midlands.
Indicative Commissioning Needs

Mediation Service

We as officers and the ASBU together when dealing with cases separately or together need identify asap if there is a possibility to mediate on an ASB matter. This could be done by the allocated officer reviewing the case once received and ask the parties about the option of mediation as a must locally.

Where RJ is primarily used it is when there is identified and accepted (by each party) offender and injured party, so this is nearly always when a crime has been committed, from the ASBU and mediation service they would not generally get involved until the criminal matter is resolved due to the sub judice issue.

Within ASB this is the main issue (both parties being felt as if they are the victim) that can escalate a case in that both parties think they are in the right, and fail to understand the belief or concern of the other party. This can be addressed more easily through mediation where there is quick and swift action by independent mediator to see both sides, to stop escalation and more deeper rooted fall outs that then add demand to police services and ASBU cases. The mediation unit currently receive about 100 referrals a year, this could be doubled if every case was assessed properly at the point of allocation of a non-crime number.

BRAVE Project

The BRAVE project (Birmingham Residents Anti-Social Behaviour Victim Empowerment) is part of Victim Support and previously funded by Birmingham Community Safety Partnership. It was previously funded by the Big Lottery Fund and since March 2012 it has co-ordinated a multi-agency support network helping to resolve persistent and on-going anti-social behaviour.

The project officers use professionally trained volunteers, allowing them to offer empathetic support either face-to-face or over the phone to suit the victim’s needs.

“Random evaluation has shown that over 60 per cent of victims reported an increase in their emotional wellbeing due to the help they have received from BRAVE.”

Whilst the victim’s code applies ASB non-crime numbers as they are not a crime do not automatically get referred to victim support, they will pick up cases but only in extreme impact matters. This is a serious short fall in the way the force deal with ASB as the definition states for ASB that the impact of the behaviour has to affect the victim’s day to day life. There is no other service that does this specifically.

Within the ASBU there is a victim and witness officer but again this is one part time role who will only be allocated the more serious cases.
Crime
Domestic Abuse

Tackling domestic abuse as a public health issue is vital for ensuring that some of the most vulnerable people in our society receive the support, understanding and treatment they deserve. The more we can focus on interventions that are effective, the more we can treat victims and prevent future re-victimisation. It is also the government’s strategic ambition, as set out in Call to end violence against women and girls 2010 and successive action plans to do what we can to contribute to a cohesive and comprehensive response.

Prevalence
In 2015/16, there were 2,373 victim of Domestic Abuse (11.7 per 1,000) aged 18 and over in Wolverhampton. This is significantly higher compared to the rate of 9 per 1,000 in West Midlands.

Over the last 5 years, the rate of Domestic Abuse in Wolverhampton has increased by around 70%, from 6.9 per 1,000 in 2011/12 to 11.7 per 1,000 in 2015/16. The West Midlands figures have also increased, by almost 64%, over the same time period, but have remained lower than the Wolverhampton rates.

In terms of numbers, over the past 5 years there has been an increase of 964 cases of Domestic Abuse being reported per year in Wolverhampton. In 2015/16, there were 2,373 cases of Domestic Abuse reported. In the West Midlands, there were 19,784 cases of Domestic Abuse reported, an increase of 7,739 from 2011/12.

Gender Distribution
The vast majority of victims of crimes identified as Domestic Abuse are female, making up 83.7% of Domestic Abuse cases in 2015/16.

Over the past five years, the proportion of males that have been the victims of Domestic Abuse has increased, from 12.1% in 2011/12 to 16.3% in 2015/16. Therefore, the proportion of females has decreased over the same time period, from 87.9% in 2011/12 to 83.7% in 2015/16.

In terms of numbers, there were 1,891 female victims of Domestic Abuse in 2015/16, compared to 368 males. The number of female victims has increased by 64.3% over the past 5 years, whereas the number of male victims has more than doubled over the same time period.

Ethnicity Distribution
In 2015/16, 69% of victims of crimes indentified as Domestic Abuse were of a White ethnic background. The second highest proportion was for those who have an Asian or Asian British ethnic background (16%).

In comparison to the Ethnicity distribution in 2011/12, the proportion of victims with a White ethnic background was 3% higher in 2015/16. The proportion of victims that had an Asian or Asian British ethnic background, also increased by 3%. The proportion of victims with a Black or Black British ethnic background fell slightly, by 2%.

What this information tells us?
- Domestic Abuse in Wolverhampton are seemingly on the rise in Wolverhampton, increasing year on year since 2011/12. However, due to the nature of domestic abuse, it is more likely that more domestic abuse is being reported to Police.
- Current figures state, that more than 80% of reported Domestic Abuse victims are female, however, the proportion and numbers of male victims has increased over the past five years.
- Around 7 in 10 victims of Domestic Abuse are of a White ethnic background and around 1 in 7 are of an Asian or Asian British ethnic background.
There is currently a proposed Police and Crime Commissioner funded Domestic Violence (DV) perp programme in development but the criteria is somewhat limited. The facility to have a perp scheme for all DV offenders who want support around DV and anger management particularly for those offenders who are not convicted or dealt with for criminal matters. We are dealing with many Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference (MARAC) cases now that don’t go to court but we have nothing to offer the offender to rehabilitate it they request help. Having something like this and sufficient Independent Domestic Violence Advisor would allow DV Offender Management Unit to take on the management of repeat offenders with 4 or more offences in addition to high risk MARAC ones. We would also then need to develop a partnership One Day, One Conversation meeting to discuss these.
Tackling a persons offending behaviour is often intrinsically linked to their physical and mental health, and in particular any substance misuse issues. Offenders often also experience significant health inequalities that will need to be identified, examined and addressed locally in partnership with organisations across the criminal justice system. Furthermore, a large proportion of families with multiple needs are managed through the criminal justice system, and their issues are inter-generational. Re-offending therefore has a wide impact on the health and well-being of individuals, their children and families, and the communities they live in.

The consequences of tackling offending and re-offending will benefit a wide range of service agencies and enhance their outcomes. Public health is a crucial part of a multi-agency approach to reducing re-offending, which includes police, courts, prisons, probation, community safety partners, social services, housing and education at a local level.

Prevalence

In Wolverhampton, the number of Juvenile offenders more than halved between 2009/10 and 2013/14, from 480 to 192, a fall of 60%. The number of Juvenile offenders that re-offended also fell by more than half over the five year period, from 158 to 69, which is a decrease of 56.3%.

The number of adult offenders also fell by just over 722 offenders per year, however, the scale of decrease (23.3%) was much smaller in adults, than in Juveniles (60%). In 2009/10, there were 3,101 and decreased year on year, to 2,379 in 2013/14. The number of re-offenders also decreased over the same time period, but as with offenders figures, to a much smaller extent compared to the Juveniles figures, only falling by 20.3%.

Percentage of Offenders that Re-Offended

In Wolverhampton, around a third of Juveniles that offend, have re-offended. These figures are not drastically different to the national and regional figures. In 2013/14, 35.9% offenders, re-offended in Wolverhampton which is slightly higher than regional figure (33.9%) but lower than national figure (37.8%). These figures are, however, not statistically different to the West Midlands and England figures.

Over the five year period between 2009/10 and 2013/14, the percentage of Juvenile offenders that re-offended varied between 29.1% and 38.9%, but changes in the figures did not follow any trend.

In terms of numbers, in 2013/14 there were 69 re-offenders, who committed a total of 212 crimes. The number of re-offenders and the number of re-offences decreased over the five year period, from 158 re-offenders committing 401 re-offences to the 2013/14 levels.

The proportion of Adult offenders that re-offended is lower than the proportion of Juveniles, with around a quarter of Adult offenders re-offending. In 2013/14, 24.4% offenders in Wolverhampton, re-offended which is very similar to West Midlands (25%) and England (24.9%).

Over the five year period between 2009/10 and 2013/14, the proportion of re-offenders has varied very slightly, ranging from 23.3% and 26.1%. Similar variations were seen in regional and national figures.

In terms of numbers, in 2013/14, there were 581 re-offenders, who committed 2,036 re-offences, which has fallen over the previous five years, from figures of 729 re-offenders committing 2,118 re-offences in 2009/10.
What this information tells us?
- The number of Offenders and Re-Offenders in Wolverhampton have been falling in recent years, however the numbers of Juveniles are lower and falling at a higher rate compared to Adults.
- The percentages of Juvenile and Adult Offenders that are Re-Offenders in Wolverhampton were very similar to the regional and national in the 5 year period, between 2009/10 and 2013/14.

Indicative Commissioning Needs

A bespoke service for females to address their needs, particularly around business crime/drugs/minor violence. A referral service again for non-statutory cases that we can utilise when managing offenders – female offenders if caught at an earlier stage have a greater success rate at reducing their re-offending.
The inclusion of this topic enables a focus on the interventions that are effective and evidence-based including a greater focus on prevention and treatment, which need to be considered alongside criminal justice measures for a balanced response to the issue. The NHS contribution to sexual assault services are a public health function. It is also the government’s strategic ambition, as set out in Call to end violence against women and girls 2010 and successive action plans to do what it can to contribute to a cohesive and comprehensive response.

Prevalence

In Wolverhampton, the current rate (2015/16) of Violent Crime is 24.56 per 1,000, which is significantly higher compared to West Midlands (21.76 per 1,000).

Over the past five years, the rate of Violent Crimes per 1,000 residents has increased, by 32.3%, from 18.56 per 1,000 to 24.56 per 1,000. A similar scale of increase has been seen in the West Midlands rate, from 16.62 per 1,000 to 21.76 per 1,000. Throughout the five year period between 2011/12 and 2015/16, the Wolverhampton rates have been significantly higher compared to the West Midlands rates.

In terms of numbers, there were 6,127 violent crimes in Wolverhampton during 2015/16, following an increase of 1,496 over the previous 4 years. In the West Midlands, there were 59,559 violent crimes in 2015/16, having increased from 45,470 since 2011/12.

Geographic Distribution

Violent Crime in Wolverhampton make up 10.3% of the the Violent Crimes that the West Midlands Police Service have to deal with. Wolverhampton therefore, has the 6th highest proportion of Violent Crime in the West Midlands Police Service area.

Gender Distribution

In 2015/16, 53.6% victims were female and 46.4% victims were male. In comparison, in the West Midlands, the proportion of female victims was slightly higher at 57.6% and the proportion of males was slightly lower at 42.4.

Over the past five years, the proportion of female victims in Wolverhampton has increased slightly, from less than half, at 49.0% in 2011/12 to 53.6% in 2015/16. A similar trend has been seen in the West Midlands figures, but the scale of change was slightly larger, a change of 6.4% compared to a change of 4.6% in Wolverhampton.

Age Distribution

In Wolverhampton, more than half (55.3%) of victims of Violent Crimes were aged over 25, 16.9% aged between 18-24, 15.1% aged between 10-17 and 5.4% aged under 10 in 2015/16. The age distribution of victims in the West Midlands was very similar to Wolverhampton.

Over the past five years, the distribution among younger victims (below 10) has remained very similar in Wolverhampton. However, the proportion of victims aged 25 and over has increased slightly, from 51.5% in 2011/12 to 55.3% in 2015/16, with the opposite being seen in victims aged 18-24, decreasing from 21.8% to 16.9% over the same time period.

In terms of numbers, of the 1,496 more victims to Violent Crimes in Wolverhampton in 2015/16 than in 2011/12, 1,004 were in those aged 25 and over, 297 in those aged 10-17 and 196 in those aged 0-9. The smallest increase was seen in those aged 18-24, where there were only 28 extra crimes.

What this information tells us?

- Violent Crime rates in Wolverhampton are significantly higher compared to West Midlands average rate and have consistently been significantly higher in recent years.
- Violent Crime rates have increased in recent years, by around a third, across Wolverhampton and the West Midlands.
- The proportion of female victims of Violent Crimes have increased in Wolverhampton and West Midlands. There are more female victims of Violent Crime than male.
- More than half of all victims of Violent Crime in Wolverhampton and the West Midlands are aged 25 or over, this has increased slightly in recent years.
Indicative Commissioning Needs

There is no bespoke service to address violent behaviour or anger issues for those not charged, etc., or those who are suitable for out of court disposals. If there was the availability of conditional cautions/CRs could be increased significantly by attendance at a course/session mandatory as part of the compliance. Currently Recovery Near You offer this service but it is only if the offence is as a direct result of alcohol or drug consumption contributing to the offence.
Motor vehicle traffic accidents are a major cause of preventable deaths and morbidity, particularly in younger age groups. For children and for men aged 20-64 years, mortality rates for motor vehicle traffic accidents are higher in lower socioeconomic groups.

The vast majority of road traffic collisions are preventable and can be avoided through improved education, awareness, road infrastructure and vehicle safety. The public health strategy “Healthy Lives, Healthy People” (2010) highlighted the need to reduce road injuries in children and address the “strong social and regional variations”. Reports relating to the earlier cross-government "Staying Safe" strategy such as the "Staying Safe: Action Plan" (2008) and "Accident Prevention Amongst Children and Young People - A Priority Review" (2009) address child road safety issues in more detail.

### Prevalence

**Table 1. Rate of residents killed and seriously injured casualties on roads per 100,000.**

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Rates of killed and seriously injured casualties on roads (KSI) in Wolverhampton were 30.9 per 100,000 in 2012-14 (most recent data point). This is significantly lower compared to England (39.3 per 100,000) and similar compared to West Midlands (33.2 per 100,000).

Rates of killed and seriously injured casualties on roads in Wolverhampton have varied slightly over the past four years, though none of the variations have been significantly different. Between 2010-12 and 2012-14, the rates in Wolverhampton have fallen, following an increase between 2009-11 and 2010-12. In comparison, the rates in West Midlands and England have fallen consistently over the four year period.

In terms of numbers, there were around 230 individuals either killed or seriously injured on roads in Wolverhampton, in the 2012-14 time period.

### CIPFA Nearest Neighbours

Wolverhampton has the 8th lowest rate of KSI compared to its CIPFA nearest neighbours. Wolverhampton is significantly lower than two of its CIPFA nearest neighbour local authorities: Knowsley (42.0 per 100,000) and Kingston upon Hull (47.6 per 100,000). Stoke-on-Trent (18.3 per 100,000) is the only CIPFA nearest neighbour local authority significantly lower than Wolverhampton.

What this information tells us?

- Rates of KSI in Wolverhampton are significantly lower compared to England, but similar compared to West Midlands.
- Rates of KSI in Wolverhampton are close to the median value compared to its CIPFA nearest neighbours.

### Indicative Commissioning Needs

No additional commissioning needs noted; maintain current levels of service to underpin outcomes.
Prevalence

In 2015-16, Wolverhampton had the 4th highest rate of residents that had been accepted as homeless and categorised as in priority need, compared to its CIPFA nearest neighbours.

Sleeping Rough

In 2015, the rate of residents estimated to be sleeping rough in Wolverhampton (0.12 per 1,000 households) was slightly lower compared to England (0.16 per 1,000 households).

In Wolverhampton, the rate of individuals estimated to be sleeping rough has doubled from 0.06 per 1,000 households in 2013, to 0.12 per 1,000 households in 2015. However, a similar rate were seen in 2011 in Wolverhampton (0.11 per 1,000 households). In England however, the rate of individuals estimated to be sleeping rough has increased from 0.10 per 1,000 households in 2012, to 0.16 per 1,000 households in 2015.

Homelessness and in-Priority Need

In 2015-16, Wolverhampton had the 4th highest rate of residents that are eligible for homelessness but not deemed to be in priority need, compared to its CIPFA nearest neighbours.

The rate of residents that are eligible for homelessness but not in priority need in Wolverhampton (1.6 per 1,000 households) is significantly higher compared to England (0.9 per 1,000) and West Midlands (1.0 per 1,000).

Over the 6 year period between 2010-11 and 2015-16, there has been in the rate of residents that are eligible but not deemed to be in priority need, from 1.1 per 1,000 to 1.6 per 1,000. However, this increase has not been consistent, the figure has varied during this period. In contrast, the rate in the West Midlands has decreased in the same period, from 1.7 per 1,000 to 1.0 per 1,000. The England figure remained constant during the 6 year period, at 0.9 per 1,000 households.

In terms of numbers, in Wolverhampton, in 2015/16 there were around 170 residents that were eligible, but deemed not to be in priority need.

CIPFA Nearest Neighbours

Wolverhampton has the 8th highest rate of residents that are eligible for homelessness but not deemed to be in priority need, compared to its CIPFA nearest neighbours. Wolverhampton is significantly higher than 9 of its CIPFA nearest neighbours and significantly lower than 2 (Rochdale and Salford).

In Wolverhampton, of those who are accepted as homeless and are categorised as in priority need, 52.3% were of a White ethnicity, the highest among all ethnicities. The second most common ethnicity was Black or Black British (18.5%) followed by Asian or Asian British (13.0%).

In comparison to the ethnicity distribution across England, the proportion of individuals with a White ethnicity (59.2%) was 6.9 percentage points higher in England. The proportion of individuals that were Black or Black British (16.5%) and Asian or Asian British (9.5%) were both lower in England compared to Wolverhampton.

CIPFA Nearest Neighbours

In Wolverhampton, under half (46.2%) of the applications for homelessness were considered to be eligible, which is slightly lower compared to England (49.7%). There has been a decrease in the proportion of decisions considered eligible in Wolverhampton from 52% in 2011-12 to 46.2% in 2015-16.

Homelessness is associated with severe poverty and is a social determinant of mental health. To be deemed statutorily homeless a household must have become unintentionally homeless and must be considered to be in priority need. As such, statutorily homeless households contain some of the most vulnerable and needy members of our communities. Being homeless can also delay discharge from hospital, so lengthening stays.
Prevalence

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Indicative Commissioning Needs

Wolverhampton’s Homeless Strategy 2015-20 consists of the following key priority areas:

- The need for increase in suitable move-on accommodation, this will include better access to quality privately rented accommodation via the Council’s Rent with Confidence scheme.
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- The issue of financial homelessness this includes the impact of the welfare reform in particular universal credit on a household’s ability to remain in their homes
- Homelessness prevention and increasing provision for support and assistance to keep people in their homes or more affordable and suitable options.
Between 2011-12 and 2013-14, the Wolverhampton rate was similar compared to the West Midlands and lower than England. Over the past four years, the Wolverhampton figure has increased, from 63.1% in 2011-12 to 67.0% in 2014-15.

**Housing**

**Vulnerable adults who live in stable and appropriate accommodation**

These indicators are intended to improve outcomes for adults with learning disabilities and mental health conditions in settled accommodation by improving their safety and reducing their risk of social exclusion. Maintaining settled accommodation and providing social care in this environment promotes personalisation and quality of life, prevents the need to readmit people into hospital or more costly residential care and ensures a positive experience of social care.

The Government is committed to improving the life chances of people with a learning disability and the support provided to their families. Government policy is that people with a learning disability should lead their lives like any other person, with the same opportunities and responsibilities, and be treated with the same dignity and respect. This means inclusion, particularly for those who are most often excluded, empowering those who receive services to make decisions and shape their own lives.

**Adults with a Learning Disability**

**Prevalence**

In 2014-15, the proportion of adults with a learning disability who live in stable and appropriate accommodation in Wolverhampton (67.0%) is higher compared to West Midlands (62.6%) but lower than England (73.3%).

Between 2011-12 and 2013-14, the Wolverhampton rate was similar compared to the West Midlands and lower than England. Over the past four years, the Wolverhampton figure has increased, from 63.1% in 2011-12 to 67.0% in 2014-15.

In terms of numbers, there were 355 adults with a learning disability who live in stable and appropriate accommodation in Wolverhampton in 2014/15, which was a fall from 430 in the previous year.

**Gender Distribution**

In 2014-15, the proportion of male adults (69.2%) with a learning disability who live in stable and appropriate accommodation is higher than female adults (61.9%).

However, the difference was much smaller in 2013-14, with the proportion of males (70.1%) slightly higher compared to females (68.8%).

**CIPFA Nearest Neighbours**

In 2014-15, Wolverhampton (67.0%) had the 4th lowest proportion of adults with a learning disability who live in stable and appropriate accommodation, compared to their CIPFA nearest neighbours. Nottingham (63.6%), Dudley (64.4%) and Stoke-on-Trent (66.7%) are the only nearest neighbour local authorities that had lower figures compared to Wolverhampton.

**Adults in contact with secondary mental health services**

**Prevalence**

In 2014-15, the proportion of adults in contact with secondary mental health services who live in stable and appropriate accommodation was higher in Wolverhampton (79.7%) compared to West Midlands (71.2%) and England (59.7%).

Between 2011-12 and 2014-15, the figure for Wolverhampton was consistently higher than West Midlands and England. The Wolverhampton figure has also increased slightly over the four year time period, from 77.9% in 2011-12 to 79.7% in 2014-15.
Wolverhampton's Homeless Strategy 2015-20 consists of the following key priority areas:

- The increase in households with complex needs: This includes how homeless services link in with services related to households with mental health problems, learning disabilities, offending, and alcohol and drug services.
- The issue of financial homelessness: This includes the impact of the welfare reform on a household's ability to remain in their homes.
- Homelessness prevention and increasing provision for support and assistance to keep people in their homes or more affordable and suitable options.

CIPFA Nearest Neighbours

In 2014-15, the proportion of adults in Wolverhampton (79.7%) in contact with secondary mental health services who live in stable and appropriate accommodation ranked 2nd highest compared to its CIPFA nearest neighbours. Bolton (87.0%) was the only nearest neighbour local authority that had a higher figure.

What this information tells us?

- In 2014-15, the proportion of adults with a learning disability who live in stable and appropriate accommodation in Wolverhampton (67.0%) was higher compared to West Midlands but lower compared to England.
- The proportion of male adults with a learning disability who live in stable and appropriate accommodation in Wolverhampton has consistently been higher compared to the proportion of female adults.
- The proportion of adults in contact with secondary mental health services who live in stable and appropriate accommodation has consistently been higher in Wolverhampton compared to West Midlands and England, and was the 2nd highest figure when ranked with its CIPFA nearest neighbours.

Gender Distribution

In 2014-15, the proportion of female adults (89.9%) in contact with secondary mental health services who live in stable and appropriate accommodation was considerably higher compared to males (72.8%).

A similar trend was seen between 2011-12 and 2014-15, though the gap between the male and female figures increased slightly.
Social Care Users

Prevalence

In 2014-15, the percentage of social care service users in Wolverhampton that reported to getting as much social contact as they wanted (52.6%) was higher, compared to the proportion that reported to not getting enough social contact (47.4%).

The percentage that reported to getting enough social contact was the highest it has been in the past 5 years. Between 2010-11 and 2013-14, the figure ranged between 45.2% and 47.2%.

Gender Distribution

In 2014-15, the percentage of females (53.7%) that reported to getting as much social contact as they would like was slightly higher compared to males (50.8%), a difference of 2.9 percentage points.

CIPFA Nearest Neighbours

Wolverhampton (52.6%) had the highest proportion of social care users reporting that they get as much social contact as they would like, compared to all of the CIPFA nearest neighbours. Wolverhampton’s figure was considerably higher compared to England (44.8%), West Midlands (44.2%) and the CIPFA Nearest Neighbour Average (43.7%).

Carers

Prevalence and Gender Distribution

In 2014-15, the proportion of carers in Wolverhampton that reported to getting as much social contact as they would like was just under a third (32.1%). The proportion of males that reported to getting as much social contact as they would like (36.6%) was higher compared to the proportion of females (29.7%).

CIPFA Nearest Neighbours

In 2014-15, Wolverhampton (32.1%) had the 2nd lowest proportion of carers reporting to getting as much social contact as they would like, compared to their CIPFA nearest neighbours. Bolton (32.1%) was the only nearest neighbour local authority which had a lower figure. Wolverhampton was considerably lower than West Midlands (38.4%) and England (38.5%).
Consideration needs to be given to services available to support carers to ensure adequate provision and promotion of existing services to improve access.

**What this information tells us?**
- In comparison to comparators (England, West Midlands and CIPFA nearest neighbours), Wolverhampton recently had lower levels of Social Isolation among social care service users.
- However, the opposite performance was seen among carers, for whom Wolverhampton performs poorly compared to England, West Midlands and CIPFA nearest neighbours.

**Indicative Commissioning Needs**
Consideration needs to be given to services available to support carers to ensure adequate provision and promotion of existing services to improve access.
Employment of Vulnerable Adults

The review “Is work good for your health and wellbeing” (2006) concluded that work was generally good for both physical and mental health and wellbeing. The strategy for public health takes a life course approach and these indicators provide a good indication of the impact limiting long-term illness, learning disabilities and mental illness have on employment among those in the working age life stage.

Learning Disability

The proportion of supported adults with a learning disability who are in paid employment, is significantly lower in Wolverhampton (1.9%) compared to England (5.9%) and West Midlands (4.2%) in 2014/15.

In 2014-15, Wolverhampton (1.9%) had the 4th lowest proportion of supported adults with a learning disability that are in paid employment, compared to its CIPFA nearest neighbours.

There are four local authorities that have significantly higher figures than Wolverhampton: Rotherham (6.4%), Stoke-on-Trent (6.1%), Derby (6.5%) and Gateshead (7.3%). Whereas, only Oldham (0.0%) had a figure that was significantly lower than Wolverhampton.

The percentage gap between the employment rates of those who have a learning disability and the overall population was, lower in Wolverhampton (61.4%) compared to England (66.9%) and West Midlands (65.9%) in 2014/15. Over the last 4 data points, from 2011-12 to 2014-15, the gap between employment rates of those with LD and overall population has varied between 58.8% and 62.3% in Wolverhampton. Whereas, the figures in England and West Midlands consistently increased over the four year period.

In 2014-15, Wolverhampton (61.4%) had the 4th lowest gap in employment rates, in comparison to its CIPFA nearest neighbours. Middlesbrough, Sandwell and Coventry were the only local authorities to have smaller gaps in employment rates. Only Bolton and Salford had gaps in their employment rates bigger than the England average.

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Long-Term Health Conditions

The employment gap between those with a long-term health condition and the overall population was higher in Wolverhampton (14.3%) compared to England (8.8%) and West Midlands (9.8%).

The gap in employment rates in Wolverhampton varied over the three year period between 2013/14 and 2015/16, between 14.3% and 9.7%. Variations were seen in the England and West Midlands figures, though considerably smaller.

In 2015-16, the employment gap between those with long-term conditions and the overall population in Wolverhampton was ranked 5th highest in comparison to its CIPFA nearest neighbours. Only Middlesbrough (6.7%), Derby (7.8%) and Sandwell (8.0%) had lower figures than England (8.8%) and West Midlands (8.8%).
Mental and Behavioural Disorders

The rate of Wolverhampton (35.43 per 1,000) residents diagnosed with mental and behavioural disorders was significantly higher in 2016, compared to England and West Midlands.

Over the 5 year period between 2012 and 2016, the rate of claimants has consistently increased and more than doubled, from 14.98 per 1,000 in 2012 to 35.43 per 1,000 in 2016. However, the increase in between 2015 and 2016 (0.16 per 1,000) was much smaller than in previous years.

Similar trends were also seen in the England and West Midlands figures, with consistent increases and figures doubling over the five year period. The figures for the West Midlands were also consistently slightly higher than England figures.

What this information tells us?

- The proportion of supported adults with a learning disability that are in paid employment, in 2014-15, is significantly lower in Wolverhampton compared to England and West Midlands. Wolverhampton also ranks 4th lowest compared to its CIPFA nearest neighbours for this measure.

- The employment gap between Wolverhampton residents with learning disabilities and the general population has consistently been slightly lower than West Midlands and England.

- The employment gap in Wolverhampton between those with long-term health conditions and the general population is increasing and is much higher compared to West Midlands and England. Though, the gap has varied over the three year period.

- The rate of ESA claimants for mental and behavioural disorders in Wolverhampton has more than doubled since 2012.

Indicative Commissioning Needs

Develop opportunities for apprenticeships and work experience as part of the transition to adult services for young people with learning disabilities and mental health disorders.

Ensure employment policies provide support for employing and sustaining employment of individuals with learning disabilities, long term conditions, mental and behavioural disorders.
The independent review of sickness absence (published December 2011) was commissioned by government to help combat the 140 million days lost to sickness absence every year. The review provided an important analysis of the sickness absence system in the UK, of the impact of sickness absence on employers, the State and individuals; and of the factors which cause and prolong sickness. This is in line with the Government's strategy for public health, which adopts a life-course approach and includes a focus on the working-age population in the "working well" stage to help people with health conditions to stay in or return to work.

One day off in previous week

In 2012-14, the proportion of employees in Wolverhampton (1.95%) who had at least one day off in the previous working week, was slightly lower compared to West Midlands (2.15%) and England (2.40%), though not significantly lower.

The Wolverhampton figure has varied over the last 4 data points between 2009-11 and 2012-14. However, overall there has been an increase from the 2009-11 figure (1.58%). Similar variations were also seen in the West Midlands and England figures.

CIPFA Nearest Neighbours

Wolverhampton (1.95%) ranks 6th lowest in comparison to its CIPFA nearest neighbours for the percentage of employees who had at least one day off in the previous week.

Wolverhampton is not significantly different to any of its CIPFA nearest neighbours. Only Walsall (3.5%) was significantly higher in comparison to England.

Days lost due to sickness absence

In 2012-14, the percentage of working days lost due to sickness absence in Wolverhampton (1.38%) is similar compared to England (1.46%) and West Midlands (1.39%).

Over the last 4 data points, between 2009-11 and 2012-14, the figure for Wolverhampton has varied, but has seen a general increase from the 2009-11 figure (1.11%).

The percentage in England and West Midlands have not seen as much variation as Wolverhampton. The gap between Wolverhampton and the two comparators has therefore varied, with the largest gaps seen in 2009-11.

CIPFA Nearest Neighbours

In 2012-14, Wolverhampton (1.38%) has the 5th lowest percentage of working days lost due to sickness absence. Wolverhampton is not significantly different to any of its CIPFA nearest neighbours.

Walsall (2.31%) and Derby (0.91%) are the only CIPFA nearest neighbours that are significantly different compared to England (1.46%).

What this information tells us?

At the most recent data point (2012-2014) the indicators for sickness absence were both slightly lower compared to the West Midlands and England average.

Wolverhampton's sickness absence indicators were also lower compared to most of its CIPFA nearest neighbours, ranking 6th lowest for the percentage of those who had at least one day absent in the previous week due to sickness and 5th lowest for the percentage of working days lost due to sickness absence sickness absence

Indicative Commissioning Needs

Ensure a healthy workplace policy is in place to prevent lifestyle related sickness and support individuals with long term conditions.
Prevalence

In 2016, for the first time in 15 years, Wolverhampton Public Health Team commissioned an adult lifestyle survey. The survey included the short Audit C questionnaire to identify the prevalence of alcohol, in addition to questions on smoking, physical activity, obesity and mental well being.

The results of the survey presented the following key findings on the local prevalence of alcohol:

- 50% of adults within the city claim not to drink alcohol at all. However, despite these low levels of drinking overall, for those who do drink, they have a high likelihood of drinking at raised levels.

- The percentage of all men and women scoring 5 or more on the Audit C score from the whole sample population is 26% and 12% respectively. However the percentage of men and women scoring 5 or more on Audit C score from those who drink alcohol are 44% and 26% respectively.

- For both men and women the peak ages for high audit C score are between 20 and 70

- The trend with deprivation is the opposite of what we might expect with higher rates of audit C positive as deprivation reduces.

- This is reflected in the ward data with higher rates of Audit C positive found in Merry Hill, Tettenhall Wightwick and Wednesfield North

- There are higher rates of Audit C positive for the White and Mixed populations.

The findings from this survey are similar to the latest national statistics on alcohol which suggest that 58% of the national population use alcohol.

The use of alcohol increased with age, was higher in people who earned more (i.e. less deprived) and in those from a white ethnic background.

Emergency Alcohol Specific Admissions

In the year prior to September 2016, there were 767 emergency hospital alcohol specific admissions in Wolverhampton. Figures are currently decreasing from higher figures in 2014/15.

In Wolverhampton, the number of emergency hospital alcohol specific admissions has increased over the past decade, from a low of 493 in the year prior to September 2005 to a peak of 956 in the year prior to February 2015. The number of admissions increased by almost a third (32%) between the end of 2012/13 (724 admissions) and the end of 2014/15 (956 admissions).

Age & Gender Distribution

In 2015/16, the number of males (590) in Wolverhampton admitted to hospital in emergencies for alcohol specific conditions was far higher than the number of females (218). The ratio of female to male admissions is 1:2.33.

Emergency admissions in males for alcohol specific conditions have been considerably higher compared to females for more than a decade. The highest gap was seen in 2008/09, when there were 430 more male admissions than female. Alternatively, the smallest gap was seen in 2012/13, with a gap of only 221 admissions.
The Public Health lifestyle survey indicates that there are higher rates of alcohol misuse in some of the least deprived groups in Wolverhampton. The wards with the highest rate of positive Audit C score are Merry Hill, Tettenhall Wightwick and Wednesfield North.

A reduction in alcohol admissions since 2015 and a subsequent reduction in the cost associated with alcohol admissions.

The wards with the highest rate of alcohol admissions are: St Peters, Graiseley, Park, Blakenhall, Ettingshall and Merry Hill.

The number of males being admitted into hospital for alcohol specific conditions in emergencies is more than double the number of females.

Men age 35 to 54 years account for the highest rate of alcohol admissions – this same age range of men account for the majority of alcohol service users and men aged 45 to 69 years account for the highest rate of alcohol related deaths.

In Wolverhampton, over three quarters of emergency alcohol specific hospital admissions are of individuals with a White ethnicity (77.9%). The second highest proportion of admissions are from individuals of an Asian ethnicity (17.3%). The proportions of admissions that were of individuals of Black, Mixed or Other ethnicities were similar, less than 2% each.

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In Wolverhampton, the highest rates of emergency alcohol specific hospital admissions are found in the central and south-west wards, with the exception of Penn ward (146 per 100,000). The lowest rates are seen in Tettenhall Wightwick (138 per 100,000), Tettenhall Regis (207 per 100,000) and Penn (146 per 100,000).

The areas which are recognised to have higher deprivation levels, on the east side of Wolverhampton, have medium rates of admissions. Whereas the highest rates of admissions are in areas with moderate levels of deprivation.

Indicative Commissioning Needs
- Commission services that meet the socio-demographic needs of the local population:

Figure 3. Emergency hospital alcohol specific admissions by age and gender, Wolverhampton (Source: Wolverhampton CCG)

Figure 4. Emergency alcohol specific hospital admissions by ethnicity, Wolverhampton (Source: Wolverhampton CCG)

Figure 5. Emergency hospital alcohol specific admissions by ward, Wolverhampton (Source: Wolverhampton CCG)

Over the decade between 2005/06 and 2015/16, the number of female emergency admissions for alcohol specific conditions have increased by 48.3% compared to 38.8% for male admissions.
In Wolverhampton, treatment for Alcohol (39.8%) has the highest proportion of successful completions in the previous 12 months, as a proportion of clients in treatment. Non-Opiate drug treatment (27.1%) had the second highest rate of successful completions, followed by Alcohol and Non-Opiate drug treatment (20.7%). Opiate drug treatment (4.5%) had the lowest figure of successfully completed treatments.

Currently, the proportions of individuals that successfully completed treatment and have not re-presented within 6 months of completion in Wolverhampton are similar to the England proportions. The chart covers the previous 12 months and looks at the proportion of individuals that successfully completed the treatment in the first 6 months of the 12 month period and had not re-presented in the 6 months following completion. In Q2 of 2016/17, of those who were in treatment in Wolverhampton, 5.7% had successfully completed treatment for Opiate use and did not re-present within 6 months, which is similar compared to the proportion in England (6.6%). For Non-Opiate treatment, the proportion in Wolverhampton (34.1%) was slightly lower compared to England (36.9%).

Since Q1 of 2013/14, the Wolverhampton figures for both Opiate and Non-Opiate treatments have not varied extensively, with Opiate treatments figures falling between Q3 of 2013/14 and Q3 of 2014/15 by 2.4 percentage points, before increasing again to 7.3% in Q2 of 2015/16. Non-Opiate figures followed a similar pattern, but the decrease was greater, figures falling by 11.2 percentage points between Q1 in 2013/14 and Q1 in 2014/15. Whereas the England figures for Opiate and Non-Opiate treatment have remained steady over the entire 30 month period.

In terms of numbers, at the most recent data point (Q2 of 2016/17) there were 58 clients who had completed the Opiate treatment and not re-presented within 6 months and 70 clients who had completed the Non-Opiate treatment and not re-presented within 6 months.

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Over the past 30 months, Opiate drug treatment has consistently had the lowest figures, considerably lower than the other three types of treatment. Alcohol has had the highest proportion of successfully completed treatments since the end of 2013/14 and peaked in Q2 of 2015/16, with a figure of 45.9%.

In terms of numbers, in Q2 of 2016/17 Alcohol treatment had the highest number of clients (198) successfully completing treatment, followed by Opiate drug treatment (44 clients) and Alcohol and non-Opiate drug treatment (29 clients). The lowest number of clients successfully completing treatment was for Non-Opiate treatment (19 clients).

The use of drugs or alcohol is strongly associated with suicide and mental health issues in the general population and in sub-groups such as young men and people who self-harm and suffer with mental health issues.
In terms of numbers, in the most recent data point, Q2 2016/17, there were less than five representations for clients who had undergone successful Opiate, non-Opiate or Alcohol and non-Opiate treatment. Whereas, there were 10 clients who had re-presented within 6 months of successfully completing treatment for Alcohol treatment.

Over the the past 30 months, Opiate treatment has had the highest proportion of re-presentation among clients who have successfully completed the treatment, except for in Q1 2013/14 and Q2 2016/17. The proportion of re-presentations among clients completing Opiate treatment varied over the 30 month time period, peaking in Q4 of 2013/14 (28.3%) and at it's lowest in Q2 of 2016/17 (7.7%). Between Q4 of 2013/14 and Q1 of 2015/16, the lowest proportions of clients re-presenting was seen in those who had completed treatment for non-Opiate treatment. The least variation in the proportion of re-presentations was seen in clients who had successfully completed Alcohol treatment, which varied between 17.3% and 6.3%.

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In Wolverhampton, the most recent data (Q2 of 2016/17) shows that the lowest proportion of successful completion of treatment among clients living with dependent children is for Opiate treatment (6.2%). The highest proportion was among those treated for Alcohol misuse (41.4%). The proportion of clients living with children successfully completing non-Opiate drug treatment (20.0%) and Alcohol and non-Opiate drug treatment (19.4%) were very similar.

Over the past 30 months, clients living with dependent children and receiving Opiate drug treatment consistently had the lowest proportion of successful completion and remained steady, ranging from 5.6% in Q4 of 2013/14 to 9.2% in Q2 of 2015/16. There was considerably more variation in the proportions of clients living with dependent children successfully completing non-Opiate, Alcohol or Alcohol and non-Opiate treatments.

The proportions of clients living with dependent children successfully completing treatment for Alcohol, non-Opiate drugs or Alcohol and non-Opiate drugs differed compared to the figures for clients in general. Between Q1 2014/15 and Q4 2015/16, the proportion of clients living with dependent children that successfully completed treatment for Alcohol addiction was higher compared to the proportion of client in general. A difference was seen between the proportion of clients living with dependent children and clients in general, completing treatment for non-Opiate drugs in 2014/15, where a smaller proportion of those living with dependent children completed the treatment, compared to clients in general. The proportions of clients living with dependent children that successfully completed treatment for Opiate drugs or Alcohol and non-Opiate drugs, were similar throughout the 30 month period to the proportion of general clients to complete the same treatments.
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**Indicative Commissioning Needs**

- Commission services that meet the socio-demographic needs of the local population
Smoking is a modifiable lifestyle risk factor; effective tobacco control measures can reduce the prevalence of smoking in the population.

**Prevalence**

In 2015, the prevalence of adult smokers in Wolverhampton (19.3%) was significantly higher, compared to England (16.9%) and West Midlands (15.7%). Wolverhampton is the only local authority in the West Midlands to be significantly higher compared to the England figure.

Between 2012 and 2015, the proportion of the adult population estimated to be smoking has decreased, by 3.6 percentage points. Decreases have also been seen in the West Midlands and England rates, albeit smaller decreases.

The prevalence of smoking among adults that have Routine or Manual jobs is lower in Wolverhampton (24.8%) compared to England (26.5%) and similar compared to West Midlands (25%). Although, the Wolverhampton figure is not significantly different compared to England.

Between 2012 and 2015, the proportion of routine or manual workers currently smoking has decreased consistently, by 6.8 percentage points in Wolverhampton. Decreases have also been seen in the England figures, albeit a smaller decrease (3 percentage points).

**CIPFA Nearest Neighbours**

In 2015, Wolverhampton had the 8th highest prevalence of smokers (19.3%), in comparison to the CIPFA nearest neighbours. Nottingham (24.1%) and Kingston upon Hull (26.8%) had significantly higher prevalences than Wolverhampton.

West Midlands had a lower prevalence than all of the local authorities that are considered to CIPFA nearest neighbours to Wolverhampton.

In 2015, Wolverhampton’s prevalence of smoking in adult who have routine or manual jobs, ranked second lowest (24.8%) compared to it’s CIPFA nearest neighbours. Coventry (23.9%) was the only local authority in the group of CIPFA nearest neighbours that had a lower prevalence than Wolverhampton, though not significantly different.

Oldham (36.3%) was the only local authority considered a CIPFA nearest neighbour that had a significantly higher prevalence of smokers among routine and manual workers.
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**Healthy Lifestyle Survey**

**Gender Distribution**

The proportion of Healthy Lifestyle Survey respondents that reported to currently smoke was slightly higher in males (23.7%) compared to females (21.4%). The proportion of respondents that reporting not currently smoking and never having smoked in the past was lower in males (62.9%) compared to females (68.0%).

**Aged Distribution**

The highest proportion of current smokers in the sample population of the Healthy Lifestyle Survey was in 20-24 year olds (33%), followed by 25-29 year olds (30%). The lowest proportions were seen in the oldest age group, 75+ years (7%) and the youngest age group, 16-19 years (15%).

The youngest age group with the highest proportion of respondents who never smoked was in the youngest age group, 16-19 years (82%), followed by the oldest age group, 75+ years (78%). There was little variation in the proportions of respondents who reported to never have smoked between the ages of 20 and 69 years, ranging between 58% and 65%.

**Ethnicity Distribution**

The highest proportion of current smokers was in those with a mixed ethnic background (28%), followed by respondents with a White ethnic background (25%).

**Deprivation Distribution**

In the sample of the Healthy Lifestyle Survey, there was a clear trend in which the proportion of current smokers decreases as deprivation reduces. The proportion of current smokers was higher in those living in the most deprived areas (29.9%), compared to respondents from more affluent areas (5.2% in the most affluent decile).

A similar trend was seen in those that reported that reported previously smoking and the inverse trend was seen the proportion of respondents that reported to never smoking.

**What this information tells us?**

- The prevalence of current smokers in the general population of Wolverhampton (19.3%) is higher compared to West Midlands and England in 2015. However the proportion of routine and manual workers that currently smoke is lower in Wolverhampton compared to West Midland and England.

- The prevalence of current smokers in both the general population and in routine and manual workers population, have fallen consistently over the past 4 years.

- In the sample of respondents to the Healthy Lifestyle Survey, there is a clear trend between the proportion of current smokers decreasing as deprivation levels decrease.
Physical inactivity is the 4th leading risk factor for global mortality accounting for 6% of deaths globally. People who have a physically active lifestyle have a 20-35% lower risk of cardiovascular disease, coronary heart disease and stroke compared to those who have a sedentary lifestyle. Regular physical activity is also associated with a reduced risk of diabetes, obesity, osteoporosis and colon/breast cancer and with improved mental health. In older adults physical activity is associated with increased functional capacities. The estimated direct cost of physical inactivity to the NHS across the UK is over £0.9 billion per year.

Prevalence

In 2015, around half of the Wolverhampton (49.9%) population were estimated to physically active, which is significantly lower compared to England (57.0%) and the West Midlands (55.1%).

In Wolverhampton, the proportion of physically active adults has fallen slightly since 2012. In 2012, 51.9% of the adult population were estimated to be physically active, which increased to 54.1% in 2013, before falling to 49.9% in 2015. However, in England and the West Midlands increases were seen between 2012 and 2015.

CIPFA Nearest Neighbours

In 2015, Wolverhampton (49.9%) had the 6th lowest proportion of physically active adults, compared to its CIPFA nearest neighbours. Coventry (58.8%) was the only local authority considered a CIPFA nearest neighbour that was significantly higher compared to Wolverhampton.

The proportion of physically active adults in Walsall and Sandwell were very similar compared to Wolverhampton.

Ethnicity Distribution

In 2016, those with Mixed ethnic background (83.8%) had the highest proportion of individuals that were moderately physically active, in Wolverhampton. Followed by those of a Black ethnic background (79.8%) and Other ethnic backgrounds (79.7%).

The lowest figure was seen in those with a White ethnic background (75.8%), which is the most common ethnic background in the population of Wolverhampton.

In 2016, those with a mixed ethnic background (17.4%) had the highest proportion of individuals that reported to being vigorously active, in Wolverhampton. The second highest proportion was of those with an Asian ethnic background (14.0%). Similar proportions were seen of those with White (8.7%) or Black (9.1%) ethnic backgrounds reporting to be vigorously physically active.
Age and Gender Distribution

The proportion of Wolverhampton residents that are moderately physically active does not vary considerably between genders.

However, the proportion in males is notably higher compared to females in those aged 16-19 and the opposite is seen in those aged 50-54 and 60-64 years, where the proportion in females is higher than males.

In general, the proportion of Wolverhampton residents that are moderately physically active remain steady between the ages of 16 and 50, before gradually falling as residents get older.

IMD Distribution

The proportion of adults who are moderately physically active in Wolverhampton in 2016, decreased as deprivation levels increased. Between 78% and 82.3% of those living in 4 least deprived areas of Wolverhampton were moderately physically active, decreasing to between 45.4% and 76.6% in the 7th, 8th and 9th deciles. The proportion in the most deprived decile is 82.8%, which defies the trend in the other 9 deciles.

The proportion of adults who reported to being vigorously physically active varied across the spectrum of IMD deciles and followed no noticeable trend. The highest proportion (17.5%) was seen in the 10th decile (least deprived) and the lowest (2.8%) was seen in the 9th decile (second least deprived). The proportion of respondents who reported to being vigorously physically active in the other 8 deciles were similar, varying between 9.0% and 12.7%.

What this information tells us?

- The proportion of the Wolverhampton adult population that are physically active (49.9%) is lower compared to West Midlands and England.
- The proportion of the Wolverhampton adult population that are physically active is similar in under 50’s, but decreases in over 50’s.
- Levels of physical activity decreases as deprivation levels increase, in general, except for those in the most deprived deciles and in the most affluent areas of Wolverhampton.

Indicative Commissioning Needs

Ensure a city-wide approach to increasing physical activity within the population, with a targeted approach to areas of inequality.
Lifestyle
Excess Weight in Adults

Obesity is a priority area for Government. The Government’s “Call to Action” on obesity (published Oct 2011) included national ambitions relating to excess weight in adults, which is recognised as a major determinant of premature mortality and avoidable ill health.

Gender Breakdown

In the sample of healthy lifestyle respondents, 59.6% males have excess weight, which is higher compared to the 52.1% females.

However, the proportion of males (21.2%) that have a BMI which is classified as obese is smaller than the proportion of females (22.2%). The proportion of males that are overweight (38.4%) is higher than females (29.9%).

Age Breakdown

The proportion of excess weight, in the sample of healthy lifestyle survey respondents, increases with age, peaking at 67.9% in those aged 50-54 years of age.

The lowest proportions of respondents with excess weight were in those aged 16-19 years (22.5%). Figures also began to decrease in the oldest residents, with figures consistently decreasing in those aged 65 and over.

Ethnicity Breakdown

In the sample of healthy lifestyle survey respondents, around 55.7% had BMI scores which classified them as having excess weight (overweight or obese).

Respondents who had a Black ethnic background had the highest proportion of individuals with excess weight (63.8%). Individuals with an ethnic background other than those stated had the second highest proportion of individuals with excess weight (56.9%).

The lowest proportion of individuals with excess weight was seen in those with a mixed ethnicity (50.2%).

Geographic Distribution

Within the sample of healthy lifestyle survey respondents, the proportion of individuals with excess weight by ward, followed the East-West split that is commonly seen in Wolverhampton.

The proportions of individuals with excess weight are higher in the wards in the East of Wolverhampton, compared to the wards in the West of the city.

However, Merry Hill ward is an exception to the trend, which is situated in the east of the city and has a higher proportion of 60.1%.

What this information tells us?

- Almost two-thirds (59.6%) of males are either overweight or obese compared to 52.1% females in Wolverhampton.
- There are clear gender, ethnic and geographical variation in Wolverhampton with respect to Obesity.

Indicative Commissioning Needs

Commission services to improve healthy eating and physical activity offering a universal and targeted approach to meet the needs of the population.
Lifestyle
Outdoor Space

There is strong evidence to suggest that green spaces have a beneficial impact on physical and mental wellbeing and cognitive function through both physical access and usage.

Prevalence

In between March 2014 and February 2015, the proportion of Wolverhampton (35.4%) population estimated to have used outdoor space for exercise or health reasons was higher compared to England (17.9%) and West Midlands (16.9%), though not significantly.

However, it should be noted that the Wolverhampton figure is based on an effective sample of less than 100 individuals.

In previous years the Wolverhampton figure has been lower than England and Wolverhampton. The England and West Midlands figures increased consistently between 2011/12 and 2013/14.

CIPFA Nearest Neighbours

In between March 2014 and February 2015, Wolverhampton had the highest percentage of the population estimated to be utilising outdoor space for exercise or health reasons, among it’s CIPFA nearest neighbors.

Seven of the 16 local authorities in the group of CIPFA nearest neighbours were significantly lower compared to Wolverhampton.

What this information tells us?

The most recent data suggests that higher proportions of the Wolverhampton population utilise outdoor spaces for exercise and health reasons compared to England and West Midlands. However, this figure was calculated from a sample size of less than 100 and historically the figure for Wolverhampton has been slightly lower compared to England and West Midlands.

Indicative Commissioning Needs
Maintain services provided to sustain and enhance utilisation of outdoor spaces for exercise and health reasons.
Incidence

In 2012-14, the incidence of TB in Wolverhampton (29.1 per 100,000) was more than twice the incidence in England. The Wolverhampton incidence was significantly higher compared to England (13.5 per 100,000) and West Midlands (16.7 per 100,000).

The incidence of TB in Wolverhampton has varied between 2000-02 and 2012-14, but has not followed a consistent trend. The opposite was seen in the incidence across England and the West Midlands, which have steadily increased. The incidence in the West Midlands has consistently been higher compared to England.

CIPFA Nearest Neighbours

In 2012-14, the incidence of TB in Wolverhampton (29.12 per 100,000) was ranked 3rd highest compared to its CIPFA nearest neighbours. Coventry and Sandwell are the two local authorities with higher rates than Wolverhampton.

Wolverhampton has a significantly higher incidence compared to 13 of the CIPFA nearest neighbours.

Incidence

In 2013, the proportion of TB cases that went on to complete a programme of treatment in Wolverhampton increased from 68.9% in 2001 to 84.3% in 2013, though the increase did not follow a consistent trend. The England and West Midlands figures however, increased by a similar amount and followed a consistent trend.

CIPFA Nearest Neighbours

In 2013, Wolverhampton had the 5th lowest proportion of TB cases to complete a program of treatment in comparison to its CIPFA nearest neighbours. However, Wolverhampton is not significantly different to any of the CIPFA nearest neighbours. Five of the CIPFA nearest neighbours had their figures suppressed because numbers were too small.

What this information tells us?

The incidence of TB in Wolverhampton is significantly higher than England and the West Midlands, and has been so since 2000-02. The incidence of TB in Wolverhampton is currently significantly higher than the majority of its CIPFA nearest neighbours.

Indicative Commissioning Needs

Ensure commissioned services provide a comprehensive, accessible service that promotes early diagnosis and treatment with effective contact tracing and screening, with defined processes for at risk groups.
Health Protection

People presenting with HIV at late stage of infection

HIV key strategic priority is to decrease HIV-related mortality and morbidity through reducing the proportion and number of HIV diagnoses made at a late stage of HIV infection. Late diagnosis is the most important predictor of morbidity and mortality among those with HIV infection. Those diagnosed late have a ten-fold risk of death compared to those diagnosed promptly and is essential to evaluate the success of expanded HIV testing.

Late HIV Diagnosis

In 2013-15, the percentage of HIV cases diagnosed at a late stage was higher in Wolverhampton (54.1%) compared to England (40.3%) and West Midlands (45.5%). In Wolverhampton, the proportion of HIV diagnosis that have been late have varied since 2009-11. Between 2009-11 (53.8%) and 2011-13 (61.0%), the figures rose by 7.2 percentage points.

Across England, figures have consistently fallen between 2009-11 (50.1%) and 2013-15 (40.3%). A similar trend has been seen in the figures for the West Midlands, falling consistently between 2010-12 (53.4%) and 2013-15 (45.5%).

CIPFA Nearest Neighbours

Wolverhampton (54.3%) has the 7th highest proportion of HIV cases which were diagnosed at a late stage, compared to its CIPFA nearest neighbours. However, Wolverhampton is not significantly higher or lower compared to any of their CIPFA nearest neighbours.

What this information tells us?

Wolverhampton has a higher proportion of HIV cases diagnosed at a late stage compared to England and West Midlands, however it is not significantly better or worse than its CIPFA nearest neighbours.

Indicative Commissioning Needs

Ensure commissioned services provide a well promoted, accessible service that emphasises the need for early diagnosis and include raising awareness amongst health and care professionals of at risk groups to advise testing.
**Health Protection**

All new sexually transmitted infection diagnoses (exc Chlamydia aged <25)

Sexual health is a key public health issue. The Department of Health has outlined its ambition for good sexual health in A Framework for Sexual Health Improvement in England.

**Incidence**

In 2015, the incidence of all new STI diagnoses in under 25’s (excluding Chlamydia) was lower in Wolverhampton (782.5 per 100,000) compared to England (814.9 per 100,000), but significantly higher compared to West Midlands (687.3 per 100,000).

Since 2012, the rate of all new diagnoses in Wolverhampton has varied to a higher extent than England and West Midlands. In 2013 and 2014, the rates in Wolverhampton were higher compared to England and West Midlands, however it’s fallen to to the current level which is lower compared to England.

**CIPFA Nearest Neighbour**

In 2015, Wolverhampton had the 7th highest rate of new STI diagnoses in those under 25 (excluding Chlamydia), compared to it's CIPFA nearest neighbours.

Wolverhampton’s rate is significantly lower than Kingston upon Hull, Salford, Coventry and Nottingham. However, Wolverhampton is significantly higher compared to Middlesbrough, Rochdale, Bolton, Stoke-on-Trent and Rotherham.

**What this information tells us?**

The rate of all new STI diagnosis in under 25’s in Wolverhampton (782.5 per 100,000) was lower compared to England, but significantly higher than West Midlands in 2015 and has increased since 2012.

**Indicative Commissioning Needs**

Ensure commissioned services provide a well promoted, accessible, targeted service to meet the needs of young people with or at risk of an STI.
An accident & emergency department (A&E) is a medical treatment facility that specialises in emergency medicine, the acute care of patients who present without prior appointment, either by their own means or by that of an ambulance. The accident & emergency department in Wolverhampton is based at New Cross Hospital and is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Due to the unplanned nature of patient attendance, the department must provide initial treatment for a broad spectrum of illnesses and injuries, some of which may be life-threatening and require immediate attention. In some small sections of the Wolverhampton population, the accident & emergency department is an important entry points for those without other means of access to medical care.

Annualised Trend

The numbers of A&E attendances in those aged 20 and over in Wolverhampton increased between the end of 2012 and the summer of 2016.

Between September 2012 and July 2016, there was an increase of 38% (27,849 attendances), to 100,928 A&E attendances in the year running up to July 2016.

The increases were generally quite steady. The sharpest increase was seen between February 2015 (88,324 attendances) to August 2015 (95,862 attendances).

Gender Distribution

In July 2016, there were 20% (928) more females (5,562) over the age of 20 that attended A&E compared to males (4,634).

This difference has gradually increased over the last 5 years. In 2011, there were no differences between the number of monthly A&E attendances for males and females. However, by December 2012, there was a notable difference (197) between the number of males (3,178) and females (3,375) and this has continued to grow to the current levels in July 2016.

Age and Gender Distribution

In Wolverhampton, the highest number of A&E attendances are seen in adults aged between 20-24. Numbers steadily decrease as residents get older, with the least A&E attendances in residents aged between 65 and 84.

The number of female A&E attendances were considerably higher than males, in the youngest two age groups: 20-24 (4,162 higher) and 25-29 (2,538 higher). Between the age of 30 and 79, the number of male and female attendances were similar in each 5 year age group. However, in over 80's, female attendances were again considerably higher than males. The number of female attendances were 1,176 higher than males in 80-84's and 4,412 higher in over 85's.

Ethnicity Breakdown

In Wolverhampton, the majority (58.96%) of A&E attendances in those aged 20 and over were from a White ethnic background, between 2012-13 - 2015-16. Just over a 5th of the A&E attendances (20.91%) were for patients from an Asian ethnic origin.

In Wolverhampton, almost two-thirds (60.77%) of A&E attendances in those aged 20 and over were from the 20% most deprived areas, between 2012-13 - 2015-16. The A&E attendances in those aged 20 and over decreased to 17% in the second quintile and fell to 1.28% in the least deprived quintile.
Geographic Distribution

In Wolverhampton, the highest rates of A&E attendances were found in the south east of Wolverhampton and lower rates in the northern and western parts of Wolverhampton, between 2012-13 - 2015-16. This follows the characteristic geographic trend in Wolverhampton.

The highest rates are found in Bilston East, Ettingshall and Blakenhall whereas, the lowest rates are found in Bushbury North and the two Tettenhall wards.

Readmissions within 30 days

The proportion of patients discharged from hospital that are re-admitted into hospital within 30 days, in Wolverhampton remained similar between 2011-12 and 2015-16. The figures varied between 11.0% and 11.7%.

What this information tells us?

- The number of A&E attendances in Wolverhampton have been increasing since 2012, having increased by 38% between September 2012 and July 2016.
- The number A&E attendances in females is currently around 20% higher than male attendances. The gap between males and females has increased since 2012 and was most noticeable in the under 30 population and those over 85.
- There are clear geographical inequalities as well as inequalities related to deprivation.

Indicative Commissioning Needs

Ensure commissioned services provide access to early intervention and support measures to prevent avoidable attendance at A&E.
Emergency Admissions

The rate of emergency admissions for acute conditions that should not usually require hospital admissions in Wolverhampton (1,842 per 100,000) is currently higher compared to both England (1,277.1 per 100,000) and West Midlands (1,416.9 per 100,000).

The rate in Wolverhampton has been consistently higher compared to England and West Midlands for the past decade. The rates in the three geographies have increased over the last decade. The rate of emergency admissions in Wolverhampton has increased from 1298.4 per 100,000 in 2003/04 to 1,842.0 per 100,000 in 2014/15 compared to 839.7 per 100,000 in 2003/04 to 1,277.1 per 100,000 in 2014/15 in England.

Gender and Age Distribution

The number of emergency admissions for acute conditions that should not usually require hospital admissions were low in both males and females in those aged below 65. Figures were considerably higher in Wolverhampton residents above 65 and increased further in older age groups. The highest numbers were seen in both male (948 admissions) and female (1,682 admissions) residents aged 85+.

The number of admissions for females between the ages of 20 and 35, were considerably higher than males. This trend was also seen in admissions for those over 85. Admissions in males and females between the ages of 35 and 84 were similar, neither males nor females were consistently higher.

CIPFA Nearest Neighbours

Wolverhampton has the 9th highest rate of emergency admissions for acute conditions that should not usually require hospital admission, compared to its CIPFA nearest neighbours.

Wolverhampton is significantly higher compared to 8 of its CIPFA nearest neighbours and significantly lower compared to 4 of its CIPFA nearest neighbours.

Ethnicity Distribution

The majority of emergency admissions for acute conditions that should not usually require hospital admission, are for patients of a White ethnic background (80.96%). Patients with an Asian ethnic background made up around an eighth of admissions (12.46%) and just under 5% were of a Black ethnic background.

Deprivation Distribution

Over half of emergency admissions for acute conditions that should not usually require hospital admission were for patients who reside in the most deprived areas of Wolverhampton (54.33%). The share of admissions was lower in the more affluent areas, which suggests that the likelihood of these types of admissions are linked with deprivation.

Good management of long-term conditions requires effective collaboration across the health and care system to support people in managing conditions and to promote swift recovery and reablement after acute illness. There should be shared responsibility across the system so that all parts of the NHS improve the quality of care and reduce the frequency and necessity for emergency admissions.

About a third of avoidable admissions are for people with a secondary diagnosis relating to mental health. Progress in reducing emergency admissions is likely to need a strong focus on improving the physical health of people with mental health conditions.
What this information tells us?
- The rate of emergency admissions for acute conditions that should not usually require hospital admissions in Wolverhampton is higher compared to England and West Midlands, and has consistently been higher over the past few years. Moreover, Wolverhampton has the 7th highest rate compared to CIPFA neighbours.
- There are clear age, gender, ethnic and deprivation inequalities for emergency admissions for acute conditions that should not usually require hospital admissions.

Indicative Commissioning Needs
Primary care services to consider reviewing case management of acute conditions that should not usually require hospital admission
Service Utilisation

GP Services

There are 47 General Practices in the city of Wolverhampton, covering a population of 269,000. GP practices provide both urgent medical treatment (such as treatment for acute infections, or disturbances of bowel or bladder functions, or acute mental distress) and also manage long term conditions including, but not limited to conditions such as diabetes, hypothyroidism, cystic fibrosis, congenital heart disease and epilepsy. All practices are part of Wolverhampton Clinical Commissioning Group (WCCG), which supports its members to help them continuously improve the quality of their services.

Pedestrian Access

The majority of areas in Wolverhampton are within 15 minutes walk of a GP practice, however, there are certain populated areas in which residents have longer walking times. Central areas of Wolverhampton and the majority of the residential areas have good pedestrian access to GP practices. However, some parts of the city have reduced access. The majority of the Wednesfield ward is within 15 - 30 minutes walk away from a GP practice and a small part of the Wednesfield ward is a further 30-45 minutes walk away, though this area is predominantly an industrial estate. Large parts of Tettenhall Regis and a large area consisting of parts of Tettenhall Wightwick, Park and Penn wards are between 15-30 minutes walk away from a GP surgery. These areas have reduced access compared to the majority of areas in Wolverhampton.

N.B. This map does not take into account any GP practices that are situated in other local authorities, but close to the Wolverhampton boundary, which may be accessed by Wolverhampton residents.

![Figure 1. Map of Wolverhampton, with GP practice locations and pedestrian access walking times (Source: WCC Business Intelligence)](image1)

Public Transport Access

Almost all parts of the city are within a 20 minute public transport journey of a GP practice. Wednesfield is the only ward in Wolverhampton not to have a GP practice situated within it, but the vast majority of the ward is within 20 minutes public transport journey of a GP practice. The most eastern part of Tettenhall Wightwick, is highlighted for being more than 20 minutes away on public transport, but the area is situated less than 1 kilometre from a GP practice, so this may be due to routes that public transport services in the area cover.

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![Figure 2. Map of Wolverhampton, with GP practice locations and public transport travel times (Source: WCC Business Intelligence)](image2)
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The funnel charts show data for each GP practice in Wolverhampton, represented by the yellow dots. The charts present proportion of each GP practices patients that responded positively to the question in the GP Patient Survey (Y-axis) and each GP practices population (X-axis). The dark blue line represents the average proportion of all GP surgeries in Wolverhampton and the dotted lighter blue lines indicate the 2 standard deviation limit (inner limit/blue dotted line) and 3 standard deviation limit (outer limit/red dotted line).

GP practices situated within the 'funnel' shape are within the expected range, given their GP practice population size and natural effects which may cause variation. However, GP practices which are above or below the standard deviation limits are known as outliers and there is a factor which has caused it to vary from the mean by such a distance.

The proportion of patients that reported that they would recommend their GP practice varies considerably across Wolverhampton. Seven GP practices had figures that were considerably high and classed as outliers (above the red boundary). There are three outlier GP practices which have figures that are considerably low and classed as outliers (below the red boundary). Around half of the 47 GP practices in Wolverhampton have figures which are within the range of natural variation (within the blue dotted boundaries).

The proportion of patients that reported to be satisfied with phone access to their GP also varied considerably. There are 6 GP practices that have considerably low proportions and classed as lower outliers (below the red boundary). There was some correlation in the data, where 18 GP practices with less than 100 respondents had high figures (above the blue boundary). This suggests that patients registered with smaller GP practices may have higher satisfaction levels than patients registered to larger practices, in regards to phone access.

There is slight variation in the proportion of patients that reported to being satisfied with their GP practices opening times. There are only 7 GP practices are placed outside of the normal variation region (outside the blue boundaries) and 40 of the 47 GP practices in Wolverhampton have proportions which are within the normal variation area (within the blue boundaries), which suggests that the majority of variation in Wolverhampton is due to natural data fluctuations.

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What this information tells us?

- The majority of the populated areas of Wolverhampton have good access to a GP practice, either by foot or public transport. The areas with slightly less access are areas on the outskirts of Wolverhampton.

Results from the GP patient survey show considerable variation between GP practices. There were three GP practices which had considerably low proportions of patients reporting that they would recommend their GP practice, 6 GP practices had considerably low proportions of patients reporting to be satisfied with phone access, 5 GP practices had considerably low proportions of patients reporting to having a good overall experience of booking appointments and only one GP practice had a considerably low proportion of patients reporting to being satisfied with opening times.

Indicative Commissioning Needs
Primary Care and NHS England to consider responding to needs highlighted within GP patient survey
The breast screening uptake figures in Dudley & Wolverhampton have remained steady between 2010-11 and 2014-15, varying within 3.3 percentage points. In comparison, the England and West Midlands figures decreased slightly over the 5 year period.

In 2014-15, in Dudley & Wolverhampton (62.9%) the proportion of first invitations for breast screening being taken up is similar compared to West Midlands (64.1%) and England (63.3%).

In Dudley & Wolverhampton, the proportion of uptakes from the first invitation remained similar between 2010-11 and 2012-13, but decreased by 7.1 percentage points between 2012-13 and 2014-15. In comparison, the figures for England and West Midlands both show slight decreases over the 5 year period.

Compared to the uptake figures for all invitations, the percentage of first invitations taken up is lower in Dudley & Wolverhampton, by 9.1 percentage points.

Service Utilisation
Breast Cancer Screening

Breast screening supports early detection of cancer and is estimated to save 1,400 lives in England each year. Inclusion of these indicators will provide an opportunity to incentivise screening promotion and other local initiatives to increase coverage of cancer screening. Improvements in coverage would mean more breast cancers are detected at earlier, more treatable stages. Breast screening is currently offered to females aged between 53 - 70 years of age.

Screening Uptake - GP Practice Level

The funnel chart shows data for each GP practice in Wolverhampton, represented by the yellow dots. The chart presents the proportion of each GP practices eligible population that were screened for breast cancer within 6 months of invitation (Y-axis) and each GP practices population (X-axis). The dark blue line represents the average proportion of all GP surgeries in Wolverhampton and the dotted lighter blue lines indicate the 2 standard deviation limit (inner limit/blue dotted line) and 3 standard deviation limit (outer limit/red dotted line).

GP practices situated within the ‘funnel’ shape are within the expected range, given their GP practice population size and natural effects which may cause variation. However, GP practices which are above or below the standard deviation limits are known as outliers and there is a factor which has caused it to vary from the mean by such a distance.

The funnel plot shows that the proportion of invited individuals that were screened for breast cancer within 6 months of invitation, in 26 of the 47 GP practices in Wolverhampton were within the expected range. There were three GP surgeries which were above the red limit, which classifies the GP practices as outliers due to having a higher than expected proportion of individuals screened within 6 months of invitation. There were 11 GP practices considered outliers due to low figures, however these GP practices were very close to the limit and 8 of the 11 GP practices sent out less than 50 invitations, therefore may not be of concern.

Screening Uptake - Service Level

The breast screening service which covers Wolverhampton also covers Dudley, therefore much of the local data on this page covers Dudley and Wolverhampton.

In 2014-15, in Dudley & Wolverhampton (72.0%) the proportion of all invitations for breast screening that have been taken up was similar compared to West Midlands (72.0%) and England (71.3%).

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Compared to the uptake figures for all invitations, the percentage of first invitations taken up is lower in Dudley & Wolverhampton, by 9.1 percentage points.
The uptake for routine invitations aimed at previous non-attenders in Dudley & Wolverhampton (19.2%) are similar compared to West Midlands (18.6%) and England (19.2%).

Between 2010-11 and 2014-15, the uptake for routine invitations aimed at previous non-attenders in Dudley & Wolverhampton has increased slightly, from 15.1% in 2010-11 to 19.2% in 2014-15. In comparison, the West Midlands uptake figures varied slightly, between 18.6% and 19.9% over the five year period. In England, the uptake figures decreased slightly, from 20.8% in 2010-11 to 19.2% in 2014-15.

The uptake for routine invitations for breast screening aimed at those who had last been screened less than five years ago, was slightly higher in Dudley & Wolverhampton (88.5%) in 2014-15, compared to West Midlands (87.1%) and England (86.4%).

The uptake figures in Dudley & Wolverhampton have varied slightly between 2010-11 and 2014-15, varying between 85.8% and 88.5%. The uptake figures in England and the West Midlands also varied slightly over the 5 year period.

In 2014-15, the uptake of routine invitations for breast screening aimed at those who had last been screened over 5 years ago was higher in Dudley & Wolverhampton (50.2%), compared to West Midlands (45.4%) and England (44.0%).

Between 2010-11 and 2014-15, there was a slight increase in Dudley & Wolverhampton’s uptake figures, with a total increase of 2.7 percentage points. In comparison, there were slight decreases in the uptake figures for England and West Midlands. In 2013-14, the figure for Dudley & Wolverhampton was 0.0%, which is an anomaly and may be due to data quality issues.

In comparison to routine invitations aimed at those who had been last screened less than 5 years ago, the uptake figures in those who had last been screened more than 5 years ago were considerably lower in across all three geographies.

The uptake of short term recall invitations for breast screening in Dudley & Wolverhampton was 100% in 2014-15, which is slightly higher compared to West Midlands (96.4%) and England (99.1%).

The uptake figures for Dudley & Wolverhampton remained consistently at 100%, for the five year period between 2010-11 and 2014-15. In comparison, the West Midlands figures remained at 100% from 2010-11 to 2013-14, before dropping slightly to 96.4% in 2014-15. England’s uptake figures varied between 98.5% and 99.5% during the same five year period.

What this information tells us?
- There is little variation between GP practices in the proportion of breast cancer screening invitations taken up within 6 months.
- The proportions of breast cancer screening invitations taken up (first invitations and all invitations) are similar in Wolverhampton, compared to England and West Midlands.
- The proportion of routine screening invitations taken up is considerably higher in those who were last screened within the last five years, compared to those who were last screened more than five years ago.

Indicative Commissioning Needs
Public Health Wolverhampton to work with Public Health England maintain the uptake of breast screening
Cervical cancer screening supports detection of symptoms that may become cancer and is estimated to save 4,500 lives in England each year. Inclusion of this indicator will provide an opportunity to incentivise screening promotion and other local initiatives to increase coverage of cancer screening. Improvements in coverage would mean more cervical cancer is prevented or detected at earlier, more treatable stages.

Service Uptake

In 2014-15, the proportion of eligible population (females aged between 25 and 64 years) that had been screened within the last five years in Wolverhampton (69.4%), was slightly lower than West Midlands (72.6%) and England (73.5%).

Figures in Wolverhampton, West Midlands and England all decreased slightly between 2010-11 and 2014-15. Wolverhampton figures fell from 76.5% to 69.4% during the five year period. The largest single year decreases were seen between 2013-14 and 2014-15, in all three geographies.

The proportion of Wolverhampton eligible population under the age of 50, that had been screened within the last 5 years (66.7%), was lower in 2014-15 compared to West Midlands (70.1%) and England (71.2%).

The figure in Wolverhampton in those under 50 years of age, that had been screened within the last 5 years has been lower compared to West Midlands and England for the 5 year period between 2010-11 and 2014-15. The figures in all three geographies have decreased slightly over the 5 year period.

The proportion of Wolverhampton eligible population aged 50 or over, that had been screened within the last 5 years (75.7%), was lower in 2014-15 compared to West Midlands (77.9%) and England (78.4%).

The figure in Wolverhampton for those aged 25-49 years has consistantly decreased between 2010-11 and 2014-15, whereas the figures in those aged 50-64 fell between 2010-11 and 2013-14 but increased by 1.6 percentage points between 2013-14 and 2014-15.

The figures for the two age groups have also followed different trends. The figures for those aged 25-49 years have consistently fallen between 2010-11 and 2014-15, whereas the figures in those aged 50-64 fell between 2010-11 and 2013-14 but increased by 1.6 percentage points between 2013-14 and 2014-15.

![Figure 1. Proportion of 25-64 year old female population, that had last been within the last 5 years, screened for cervical cancer (Source: Fingertips, PHE)](image1)

![Figure 2. Proportion of 25-49 year old female population, that had last been within the last 5 years, screened for cervical cancer (Source: Fingertips, PHE)](image2)

![Figure 3. Proportion of 50-64 year old female population, that had last been within the last 5 years, screened for cervical cancer (Source: Fingertips, PHE)](image3)

![Figure 4. Comparison between proportions of 25-49 and 50-64 year old female populations, that had last been within the last 5 years, screened for cervical cancer (Source: Fingertips, PHE)](image4)
Public Health Wolverhampton to work with Public Health England regarding the uptake of cervical screening

The funnel chart shows there is some variation in the proportions of the target audience screened for cervical cancer within the 3.5 or 5.5 target period, within the GP practices in Wolverhampton. There are 17 GP practices with figures that are within the expected range, within the blue limits. Of the 47 GP practices, 8 have considerably low figures and considered lower outliers and 3 have slightly low figures, between blue and red lower limits. These outlier practices may be of concern due to their low coverage figures.

Of the 47 GP practices in Wolverhampton, 10 have considerably high coverage figures and are classed as outliers (above the red upper limits) and a further 8 GP practices have slightly high figures, situated between the blue and red upper limits. These outlier practices may not be of concern, but it may be useful to see what these practices are doing to achieve such high figures.

What this information tells us?

- Cervical screening uptake is slightly lower in Wolverhampton compared to West Midlands and England, and has decreased slightly in recent years, although figures in those aged 50-64 increased slightly between 2012-13 and 2014-15.
- Ten GP practices in Wolverhampton have coverage figures that are higher than the expected range and 8 GP practices are lower than the expected range.
The NHS Health Check programme aims to help prevent heart disease, stroke, diabetes and kidney disease. Everyone between the ages of 40 and 74, who has not already been diagnosed with one of these conditions, will be invited (once every five years) to have a check to assess their risk of heart disease, stroke, kidney disease and diabetes and will be given support and advice to help them reduce or manage that risk. A high take up of NHS Health Check is important to identify early signs of poor health leading to opportunities for early interventions.

Percentage offered Health Checks

Just under two-thirds of the eligible Wolverhampton population were offered an NHS health check (66.2%) in 2013-14 - 2015-16. Wolverhampton had the 7th highest figure, compared to its CIPFA nearest neighbours.

Rochdale was the only CIPFA nearest neighbour which was not significantly different to Wolverhampton. Wolverhampton was also significantly similar to the West Midlands average.

Percentage of offered Health Checks taken up

Just over a quarter of the eligible Wolverhampton population that were offered NHS health checks actually took them up (28.6%). The figure in Wolverhampton is significantly lower compared to West Midlands (44.7%) and England (48.6%).

Wolverhampton ranks lowest compared to its CIPFA nearest neighbours. Wolverhampton is significantly lower than all of its comparators.

Healthy Lifestyles Service NHS Health Checks

Ethnicity Breakdown

Around two-thirds of NHS Health checks completed by the healthy lifestyles service were for individuals of a White ethnic background (65.8%), which is slightly lower than the proportion of eligible population that are of a White ethnicity. Just under a quarter of those who have had health checks, were of an Asian ethnicity (22.9%), which is higher compared to the proportion of individuals with an Asian ethnicity in the eligible population.

Age and Gender Breakdown

The highest proportions of those who completed NHS health checks with the healthy lifestyle service were for those aged 40-44 years (15.2% for males and 16.1% for females) and 45-49 years (16.7% for males and 17.0% for females). Males and females between the ages of 55-59 and 60-64 also had a considerable proportion of the completed health checks, between 9.0% and 11.4%.

The lowest proportions of NHS health checks were seen in the age groups that are not the target audience for health checks, those under 40 years and over 75 years.
Geographic Distribution

There was no clear trend in the spread of individuals that completed NHS health checks. Areas in the south east had lower proportions of completed health checks and are some of the most deprived areas of Wolverhampton. Whereas the opposite was seen in Wednesfield which is also quite deprived, but had a high proportion of the completed health checks.

What this information tells us?
- The proportion of the eligible population offered NHS health checks in Wolverhampton is better than the England average. However, take-up of the offer in Wolverhampton is the lowest of all CIPFA nearest neighbours.
- The majority of completed health checks were for individuals with a White ethnic background (65.8%), though the proportion was lower than the proportion of individuals in the eligible population with a White ethnic background (75.6%).
- There is little difference between the proportion of males and females in the target age group (40-75 years) that completed health checks.

Indicative Commissioning Needs
Commission services that include improving access, raising awareness and promotion of the NHS Health Check to the eligible population