

Wantage Neighbourhood Plan



Health SWOT Analysis

Strengths	Weaknesses
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medical centre (WHC, Mably Way) housing 2 practices plus 1 other, also in Grove • Local midwife-led maternity unit • Local physiotherapy clinics (NHSP + private) • Complementary health therapists • Community hospital • Opticians / Dentists / Chemists • Assisted Living residences • Care/Residential homes • Sheltered Accommodation • Active, local care charities • Defibrillators • Fire Service • Neighbourhood Watch areas • Low crime area • Street Pastors • Police presence - counter service in Library • Neighbourhood Teams • First Responders 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lack of space at Medical centre for 3rd practice • Medical centre currently over capacity • Distance to major hospitals for routine appointments • Lack of good public transport to A&E/hospitals/Minor Injuries Unit • Distance of health practices from south and west Wantage • Ambulance response standards not met • Restricted mobility access within parts of Wantage • Lack of police presence at certain times of the day and night • Police counter service has restricted hours

Opportunities	Threats
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health hub with improved primary healthcare, minor injuries unit, additional GP services (e.g. diagnostics) • Enhanced community hospital with beds for respite/convalescence, rehabilitation, re-enablement without prejudicing existing mobile services • Improve response time for ambulances in order to meet/exceed national standards • Ambulance Station • Extended hours at police counter • Health hub (medical centre) to also house 3rd practice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capacity of existing/planned facilities (including "Strengths" opposite) to cope with future demand • Ageing population • Reduced funding for care providers • Increased road congestion hindering emergency services thus increasing response times even further • Closure of police counter service