

# **Annex 1:**

## **The Leys Community Insight Profile: Progress Since Publication Report**

This progress since publication report for the Leys document was produced by the Leys Community Health Development Officer. It aims to share key outcomes and related ongoing actions from the Community Insight report directly with the Leys community.

**November 2023**

# **The Leys Community Insight Profile**

Progress Since  
Publication  
Summary

# Themes from the Leys Profile





# WORKING TOGETHER for the Leys community



**Closer working relationships between local groups are happening as a result of the Leys Community Insight Profile**



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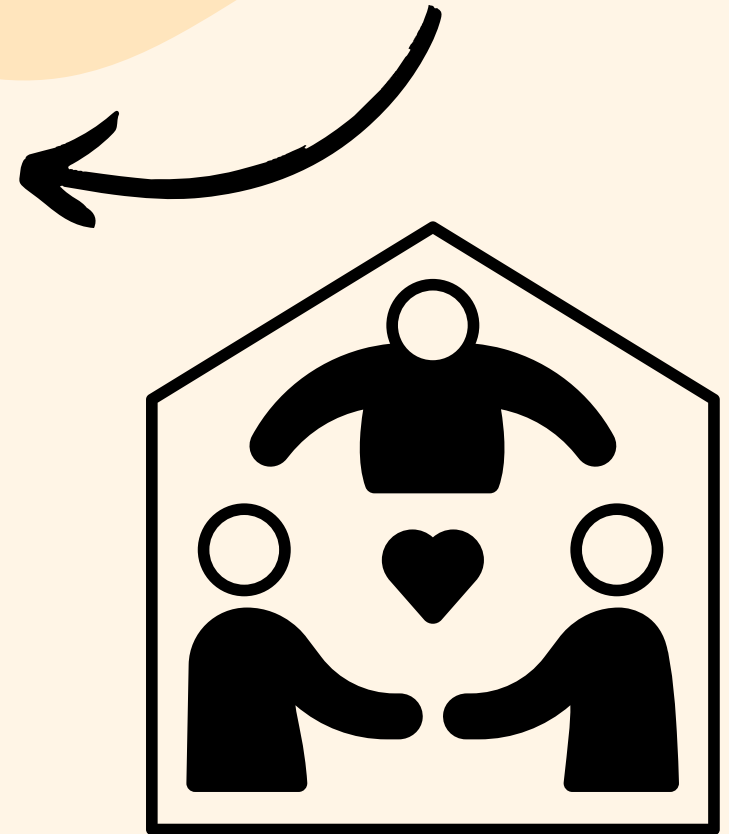
# Community Spaces

Recommendation:  
Make sure local voices are included in the redevelopment of Blackbird Leys

## Action 1:

A Community Design Review Panel has been created to help design the new Community Centre. The panel is made up of diverse residents from the Leys.

There will also be a chance for the wider public to give their views at events, online. There is also a stakeholder panel, who will influence the design of the new centre.



Noun Project 'Safe Space Icon'. Accessed 5/7/24

# Community Spaces Continued

Action 2: Oxford City Council staff who work closely with people in the Leys are heavily involved in the design process and scrutiny for the new Community Centre to ensure it meets the needs of the local people.

Action 3: All user groups of the community centre have been relocated elsewhere and the groups have continued to run.

Action 4: We are listening to feedback and improving the process as we go along.

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# Access to Health

## Recommendations:

- Work with relevant health partners to raise awareness and provide accessible information to members of diverse communities with distrust in the healthcare system.
- Build on existing work of social prescribers to empower residents to find solutions to challenges related to healthcare and utilise the knowledge and skills of social prescribers.



# Access to Health

## **Actions:**

- Closer working between professionals working in the Leys, including Leys Health Centre, Oxford City Council, Oxford Hub and BOB-ICB.
- The creation of an emergency funding pot for patients on the preventative pathway list, who are unable to afford access to leisure. The Social Prescribers at the Leys Health Centre refer patients to this funding.
- The Community Health Development Officer has created subgroups for the Leys Health and Wellbeing Partnership that include priority recommendations for accessing health, which health services are attending and feeding into.

# Ongoing Projects: Access to healthcare

The Leys Health Centre has recently restarted their patient participation group. The first meeting back was focused around information being given to patients about the current services offered. A point that not many people were aware of is that you can request to see a GP face to face and you can ask to see the same GP, but you may face a longer wait.



Mutsofa, Haris. 'Heartbeat Icon'. Accessed 5/7/24

A project around respiratory illness is currently happening at the Leys Health Centre. A social prescriber is visiting people in their homes to assess whether damp and mould is having an impact on their respiratory condition. This is a small pilot funded by Buckingham Oxfordshire and Berkshire Integrated Care Board (BOB ICB).

# Getting Active

## Recommendations:

- Increase physical activity levels, especially in females.
- Local providers should work together.



Kusma Melinda, Gambar 'Swimming Icon'. Accessed 5/7/24

## Action:

- African Families in the UK (AFiUK) in partnership with Oxford City Council are delivering swimming lessons for women in Blackbird Leys. The instructor was upskilled by AfiUK and the community champions project to gain a swimming instructor qualification. As a result, 24 women have been taught to swim and to be confident in the water. The project is ongoing.

# Healthy Food

Recommendation: Improve awareness of the NHS Healthy Start scheme



## Actions:

- Promoting the Healthy Start training by Good Food Oxfordshire
- Working with community groups to improve awareness of Healthy Start and understand what individuals would use Healthy Start for
- A new project is starting looking at how Healthy Start can use marketing to make the community more aware of the scheme

<https://www.healthystart.nhs.uk/>

A space that can be hired for free

Provides support for the community

A focus on families

Parent support

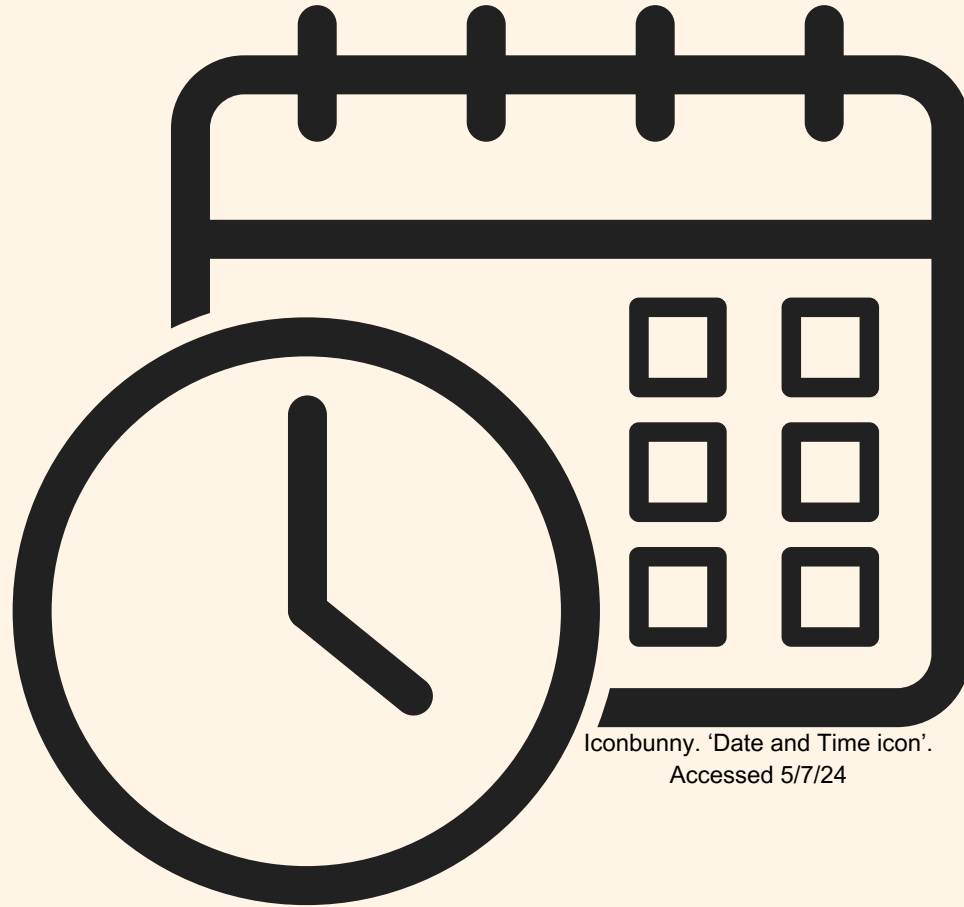


**Oxford Hub's  
Community Hub**

A space for professionals to  
collaborate

Links with the school

# Longer-term Ongoing Activities



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# Longer-term **recommendations and actions:** access to healthcare

- 1) Work with health care commissioners to explore new and innovative approaches for offering GP appointments, e.g. the Health on the Move Van.
- 2) Explore opportunities for improved access to medical services beyond the Leys, with transport providers including volunteer travel schemes.
- 3) Engage with local health providers to identify solutions to the challenges faced by residents regarding access to health centre services.

# Ambition: Re-open the community fridge and open a foodbank in the Leys



## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

The img. 'Happy Diverse Group Of Volunteers Illustration'. Accessed 5/7/24

Without new volunteers, the community fridge cannot be re-opened and a foodbank cannot be started.

Social media

Whatsapp

Newsletter

Shop  
windows

Word  
of  
mouth

# Communication on the Leys



College

Digital

Newspaper

Noticeboards

Facebook group

Tenants in touch

# How can we best include food with activity provision in the Leys?

Long term plans:



A.A. 'Healthy Food Group'. Accessed 5/7/24

- Oxford City Council to work with the new leisure provider and partners to create more offers for the community.
- Can existing activities for example the community larder combine with an activity like badminton?