

# Brighter Futures

A vision for children, young people and their families in Basingstoke and Deane



## Foreword

This vision has been developed with children, young people and their families (CYPF) living in the borough. We were keen to understand what they thought were the ingredients for having a bright and successful future and how we could work with them and partner organisations to make this a reality. It's very much a living document that we will continue to come back to make sure that it is still relevant.

We know from having these conversations that most of our children, young people and families love living in Basingstoke and Deane.

There has been honest and open feedback about some of the challenges that exist, such as, the worries about some children and young people not doing as well at school as they could and not being prepared and inspired enough for the future. In some areas, people are living next door to new and future housing developments and are worried that where they live will become forgotten about.

All of this is important to take into account when we are looking at how we can make sure that everyone has the best chances in life to fulfil their potential. As a partnership we want to work with children, young people and their families and partner organisations to make this happen.



**Anthony Bravo - Principal and Chief Executive BCOT  
– BASP Chair**

## Our Vision

“To create brighter futures for children, young people and their families in Basingstoke and Deane, so that they are safe, happy and well, getting great opportunities to learn, making the most of their talents and have positive aspirations for their future.”

## Our Priorities

- Encouraging physically healthy lives;
- Promoting good mental health and wellbeing;
- Reducing youth related violence and antisocial behaviour;
- Fostering inclusive communities;
- Improving access to advice and support services;
- Ensuring opportunities for additional learning and education;
- Preparing for employment and nurturing potential;
- Supporting those with additional and complex needs.



# Borough Profile

The illustrations below show some key data about Basingstoke and Deane's children, young people and their families.

## BASINGSTOKE AND DEANE



### 1.1 Borough population



**175,340**

### 1.2 Future population growth



**FORECAST TO GROW TO  
193,200 BY 2041**

### 1.3 Under 5s



**17.7%**  
OF ALL FAMILIES HAVE AT LEAST  
ONE CHILD UNDER THE AGE OF 5 YEARS

### 1.4 Number of dependent children and young people aged 0 to 18



**38,197**  
LIVING IN 21,620 FAMILIES

### 1.5 Gender



**50.5%**  
FEMALE

**49.5%**  
MALE

### 1.6 Number of schools



**58**  
PRIMARY /  
INFANT /  
JUNIOR  
SCHOOLS      **11**  
SECONDARY  
SCHOOLS      **4**  
SPECIALIST  
SCHOOLS

### 1.7 Quality of childcare provision



**97%**  
OF ALL CHILDCARE SETTINGS  
HAVE GOOD AND OUTSTANDING  
OFSTED RATINGS

### 1.8 Youth clubs



**17**  
YOUTH CLUBS RUN BY  
COMMUNITY PROVIDERS

### 1.9 Mental health



**8.3%** OF POPULATION  
= ESTIMATED PREVALENCE OF MENTAL  
HEALTH DISORDERS FOR CHILDREN  
AND YOUNG PEOPLE AGED 5 TO 16

### 1.10 Languages spoken



**105**  
LANGUAGES SPOKEN BY YOUNG PEOPLE  
WITHIN THE BOROUGH.  
**50%** INCREASE SINCE 2007

### 1.11 Young carers



**313**  
YOUNG CARERS  
IDENTIFIED IN 2011,  
DOES NOT ACCOUNT  
FOR HIDDEN YOUNG  
CARERS.

**204**  
ARE RECEIVING  
TARGETED  
SUPPORT WITHIN  
THE BOROUGH

### 1.12 Levels of inactivity



**23.3%**  
OF TOTAL POPULATION DO LESS THAN  
30 MINS / WEEK EXERCISE

### 1.13 Birth rate



**2,186** LIVE BIRTHS IN 2016,  
REPRESENTING AN INCREASE OF  
**8.5%** OF LIVE BIRTHS SINCE 2006

### 1.14 Childhood obesity



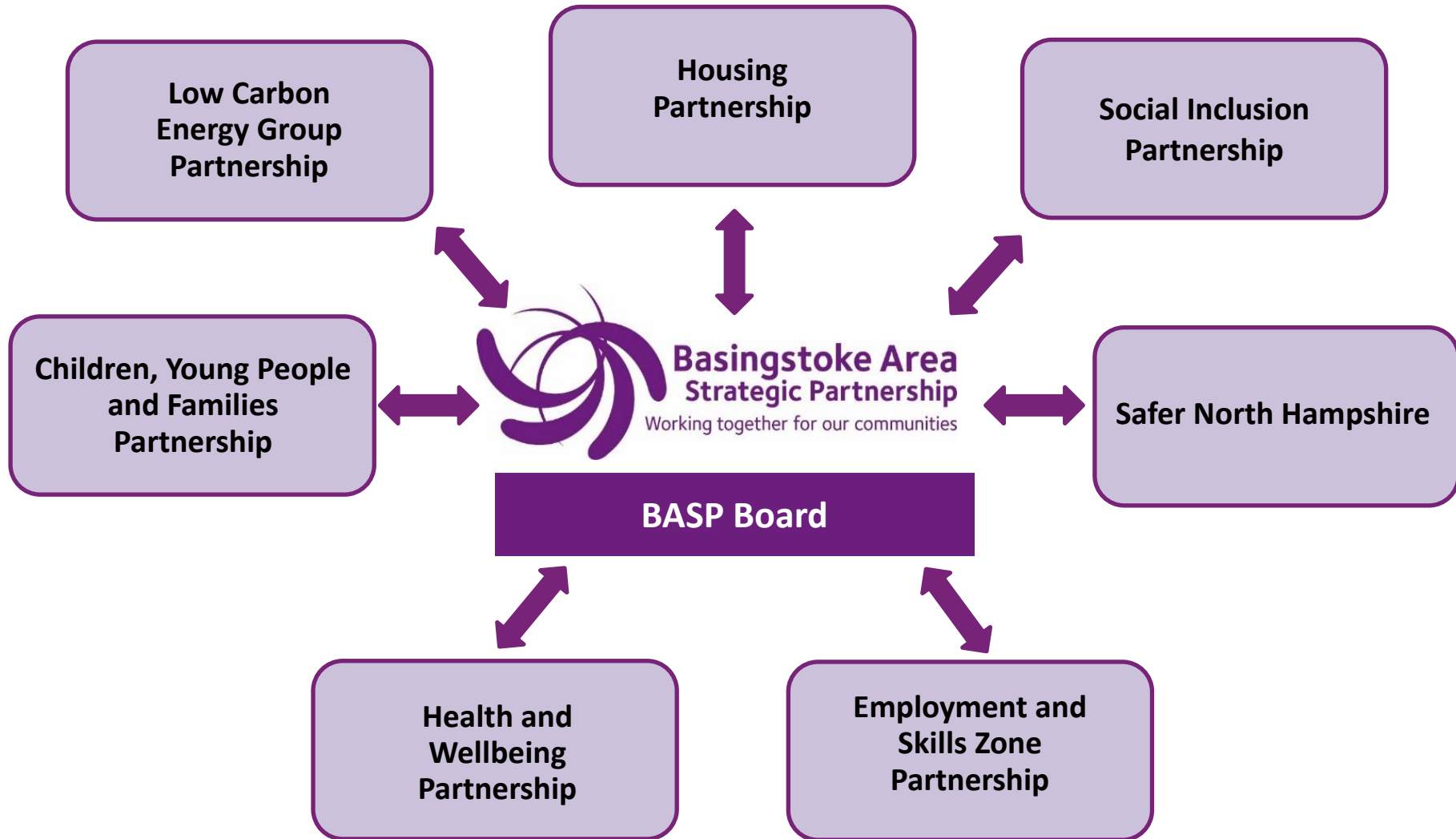
**23.1%** OF  
CHILDREN IN  
RECEPTION

**32.2%**  
CHILDREN  
IN YEAR 6  
WERE OVERWEIGHT OR OBESE IN 2017

## Who is involved in this vision?

This vision has been developed by a range of partners, these include members of the Basingstoke Area Strategic Partnership (BASP), community groups and children, young people and their families. This has ensured that the views and needs of local families are at the centre of the vision and its partnership delivery plan, it has also been based on statistical evidence.

The Basingstoke Area Strategic Partnership is made up of the following sub groups:



## How can I get involved in the vision?

This vision is for anyone who is interested in the wellbeing of our children, young people and their families in the borough. If you have ideas or comments on how you could be involved or wish to work more collaboratively as part of this vision please contact the Children, Young People and Families Team (contact details below).

**If you have any queries about this vision, or need it in a different format (e.g. large print), please contact [cypfteam@basingstoke.gov.uk](mailto:cypfteam@basingstoke.gov.uk) or call 01256 845338.**

