

## Co-production for Health and Well-being

### Locality Plan 2020-2025

Co-production with local people is cited as a priority within the Salford Locality Plan 2020-2025 with regard to places, communities and neighbourhoods.

The Locality Plan states that: “The value of co-production is recognised where power and decision-making are shared equally between decision-makers and citizens (including children and young people). We will continue to engage with citizens and communities and work towards genuine co-production where possible on our priorities and services. This approach is best used to develop innovative local solutions to complex issues such as child poverty, suicide prevention, loneliness and social isolation, and climate change.”

Co-production is perceived as a form of research and innovation, with a particular focus on innovative local solutions to complex issues.

The Locality Plan identifies four areas for co-production, each of which is a fundamental determinant of health and well-being: child poverty; climate change; loneliness and social isolation; and suicide prevention.

### Approach

The four priority areas were reframed into positive statements.

A diverse group of young adults from Salford was recruited into the project, with particular regard to inclusion of those whose voices are less heard or not heard.

The group has met on a fortnightly basis since December 2021, exploring the four areas and developing their own priorities and visions. In June 2022, they invited senior decision-makers from key agencies in Salford to join them to co-produce the ideas and concepts.

Specific proposals will be presented to the Salford Health and Wellbeing Board in November 2022. If supported, plans will be made for co-design of the solutions, with a view to these being embedded directly into the Locality Implementation Plan.

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