

Green Health 'Plan on a Page'

Why is the project needed?

In 2018, The UK Health Alliance on Climate Change called on the UK Government to commit to carbon net zero by 2030 in order to preserve planetary and human health. In England the [Green Impact Assessment](#) was established by GPs for GPs in partnership with RCGP, who recently declared a climate emergency. This scheme established in 2014 was designed for GP's only and not the broader primary care system, although much of the content is generic, some actions reference English only schemes that are not available in the same way in Wales. The proposal is for a scheme for all primary care contractors based on a cluster footprint bespoke to the Welsh context. The work aligns to national policy including, the Well-being and Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015.

What is the scope of the project?

- Initial scoping to determine the scale of the framework for long term action and sustainable change. Options to be reviewed.
- Initially the scheme will be targeted at individual GP practices in Wales based on adoption or adaption of RCGP Green Impact Assessment (The plan has been adapted to take into account capacity within the PC Hub to take this work forward as a result of Covid mobilisation of staff).
- The scheme will then be developed further and rolled out to involve other primary care contractors, pharmacy, optometry & dental.
- The scheme will then be reviewed for actions at individual practice level, cluster level and health board level.
- The scheme will involve collaboration with key partners and professional bodies in Wales in its development.

Who will be delivering the project?

Public Health Lead: Victoria Hannah / Angharad Wooldridge

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Project Manager / support: TBC

Commissioned work: SOS (NUS) or equivalent partner TBC

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Key deliverables

Staged deliverables include:

1. Phase 1- Initial scoping to determine the scale of the framework.
2. Phase 2- Re-engage and scope key partners and work with key stakeholders to develop a Framework for general practices in Wales.
3. Phase 3 - Review evidence for actions included in the Framework.
4. Phase 4 - Identify and agree collaboration from key stakeholders for pharmacy, optometry & dental and further develop scheme and roll out to involve other primary care contractors.
5. Phase 5 – Review scheme for actions at individual practice level, cluster level and health board level mapped to 7 Wellbeing Goals of WFGA 2015.

Outcome/Success criteria:

1. A carbon neutral primary care in Wales by 2030
2. Increased action and awareness by primary care stakeholders, policy leads and contractors in responding to the climate emergency working towards carbon neutral and sustainable services.
3. Effective and long lasting partnership working.
4. Development of an effective scheme, with relevant long term actions that can be delivered by primary care in Wales.
5. Uptake of the scheme at individual practice level and cluster level.

When will the project be delivered?

All below dependent on PC Hub capacity due to Covid-19 demands on staff mobilisation

Phase 1 - Q2, 2021. Phase 2 - Q4, 2021. Phase 3, 4 and 5 - TBC

Risks & finances

- There will be a financial commitment to develop the platform to host the framework (approx. minimum £10K per set up and £10K per annum).
- Risks – Covid 19 may detract resources, engagement from stakeholders not tested, timing may mean this opportunity is missed and delivered elsewhere.

