

<h1>BRIEFING</h1>	TO:	Health and Wellbeing Board
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	TITLE:	Rotherham Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA)

Background

- 1.1 The Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA or Data Hub) provides a high-level overview of health need in Rotherham. It is available here > [Homepage – Rotherham Data Hub](#)
- 1.2 The JSNA takes a wide view of health and is concerned with wider social factors that have an impact on people’s health and wellbeing, such as housing, deprivation and employment. It aims to identify health inequalities and gaps in health and care services, documenting unmet need.
- 1.3 There are many products available for use including topic specific dashboards (e.g. ‘housing’, ‘physical activity’, or ‘culture and leisure’), neighbourhood profiles and small geographies (e.g. ward profiles and small area data), a quarterly update detailing new key findings, and a new deprivation profile highlighting the 2025 update to the Indices of Deprivation.

Key Issues

- 2.1 On average our population live around a third of their life in ill health, 26 years for females and 23 years for males, with the number of the number of years living in ill health increasing. In addition, residents who live in the least deprived areas live on average 10 years longer as a female, and 13 years longer for a male, than the most deprived.
- 2.2 The 2025 Indices of Multiple Deprivation show Rotherham is more deprived overall than 82% of local authority districts in England, and within Rotherham inequalities are widening: deprivation scores have got worse in the most deprived areas and decreased in the less deprived areas.
- 2.3 We have seen increasing prevalence of many health conditions, an additional 37,000 conditions over a ten-year period, and some notable conditions are hypertension, diabetes and depression.
- 2.4 However, we have seen notable improvements in many areas including an increase in breastfeeding prevalence, HIV testing, and a decrease in smoking at time of delivery.

Key Actions and Relevant Timelines

- 3.1 The JSNA has a full annual refresh every year (April/May), but individual dashboards are updated more frequently as and when new data become available.
- 3.2 The next quarterly intelligence update will be July 2026.

Implications for Health Inequalities

4.1	The JSNA aims to identify health inequalities and where possible considers findings across a range of characteristics including age, ethnicity, gender, deprivation, and health status.
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Recommendations

5.1	To note the update to the 2026 JSNA and promote use within organisations.
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