Surrey Speaks Latest opportunities to get involved

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The more people we hear from the more we'll be able to amplify those voices. As an independent critical friend we work constructively with local stakeholders - sharing (without prior agenda) what people with lived experience tell us to bring about positive change.

Your priorities: our focus

Our priorities have been designed based on what you tell us matters most to you....



For our **Involvement of People** priority we are looking at whether community healthcare services are accessible/available to people who are classified as being housebound.

Home based healthcare - Smart survey - closes 31 August 2025



For our **access to primary care** priority we are currently looking at online access to GP services.

Online access to GP services - Smart survey - closes 26 September 2025



For our **social care** priority we are looking at why there has been a downturn in the numbers of people using day centres and library services.

Day centre and library use - Smart survey - closes 30 September 2025

Unable to access our online survey but want to share your experience? Please contact our Helpdesk

Volunteer with us!

We are always looking for more volunteers to join our dynamic team – whether out and about in community settings speaking to members of the public, taking part in mini-research projects, joining our reading panel, or helping us spread the word about our work. We are very flexible and you can volunteer as often or as little as you like – we have opportunities on different days of the week at different times so there is something for everyone! Find out more on our website – <u>Volunteering with us – Healthwatch Surrey</u>.

How do we share your insights: recent publications

Social care engagement spotlight: sexual health services for under 25s

We're delighted that almost 600 young people trusted us enough to share their thoughts on this sensitive but important topic. Read about what we found -

Sexual health services for under 25s



Primary care engagement spotlight: parents and carers understanding of sight tests for school aged children

This report creates an important bridge between the education and healthcare sectors, read more -Out of sight, out of mind



Research projects:

We've recently published two new research projects too – one looking at access whether general practice is meeting the needs of people who are experiencing domestic abuse within Surrey and the second looking at access to and experiences of emotional wellbeing and mental health support for those with learning disabilities. Read the full reports on our website:

<u>In safe hands - Domestic abuse survivors experiences of general practice - July 2025</u>

<u>Making mental health inclusive: supporting people with learning disabilities - July 2025</u>



How do our reports make a difference? Find out more in our latest <u>Impact</u> report. And remember, you can share your experience of any aspect of health and social care by <u>contacting our Helpdesk</u>

Want to make sure your voice is still heard?



Protect your right to feed back independently. Sign local Healthwatch national petition calling on the government to review the decision to abolish independent local Healthwatch - more details about the proposals.

Petition: Review decision to abolish independent local Healthwatch

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