



INFANT MORTALITY HIGHER THAN ENGLAND AND RISING

Saving Babies' Lives: a Care Bundle for Reducing Stillbirth.

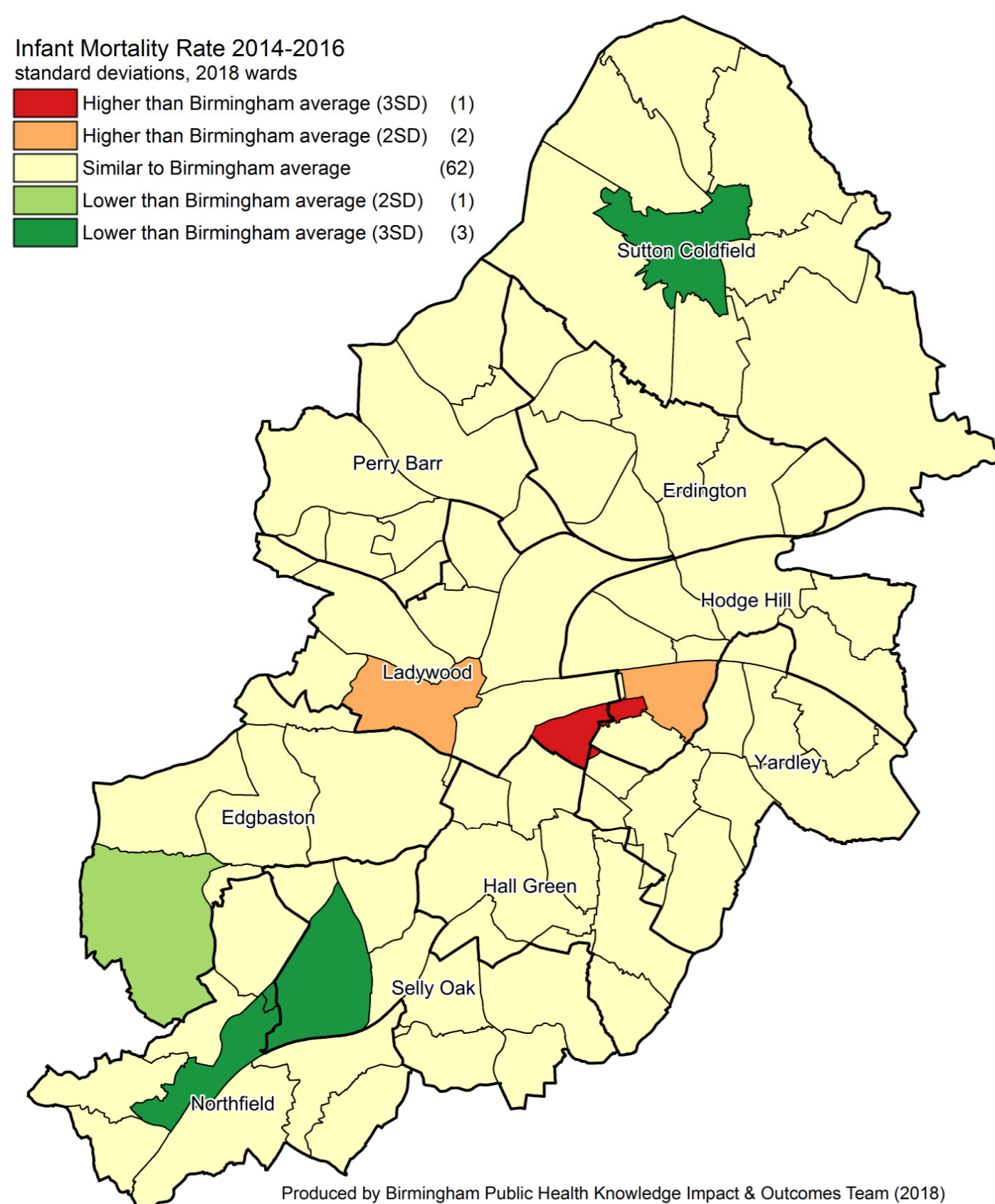
Local NHS commissioners and providers are accountable for implementing and making progress on these measures. The components are:

- Reducing Smoking in Pregnancy.
- Identifying the risk of Foetal Growth restriction and monitoring.
- Raising awareness of the implications of reduced foetal movements.
- Effective foetal monitoring during labour.

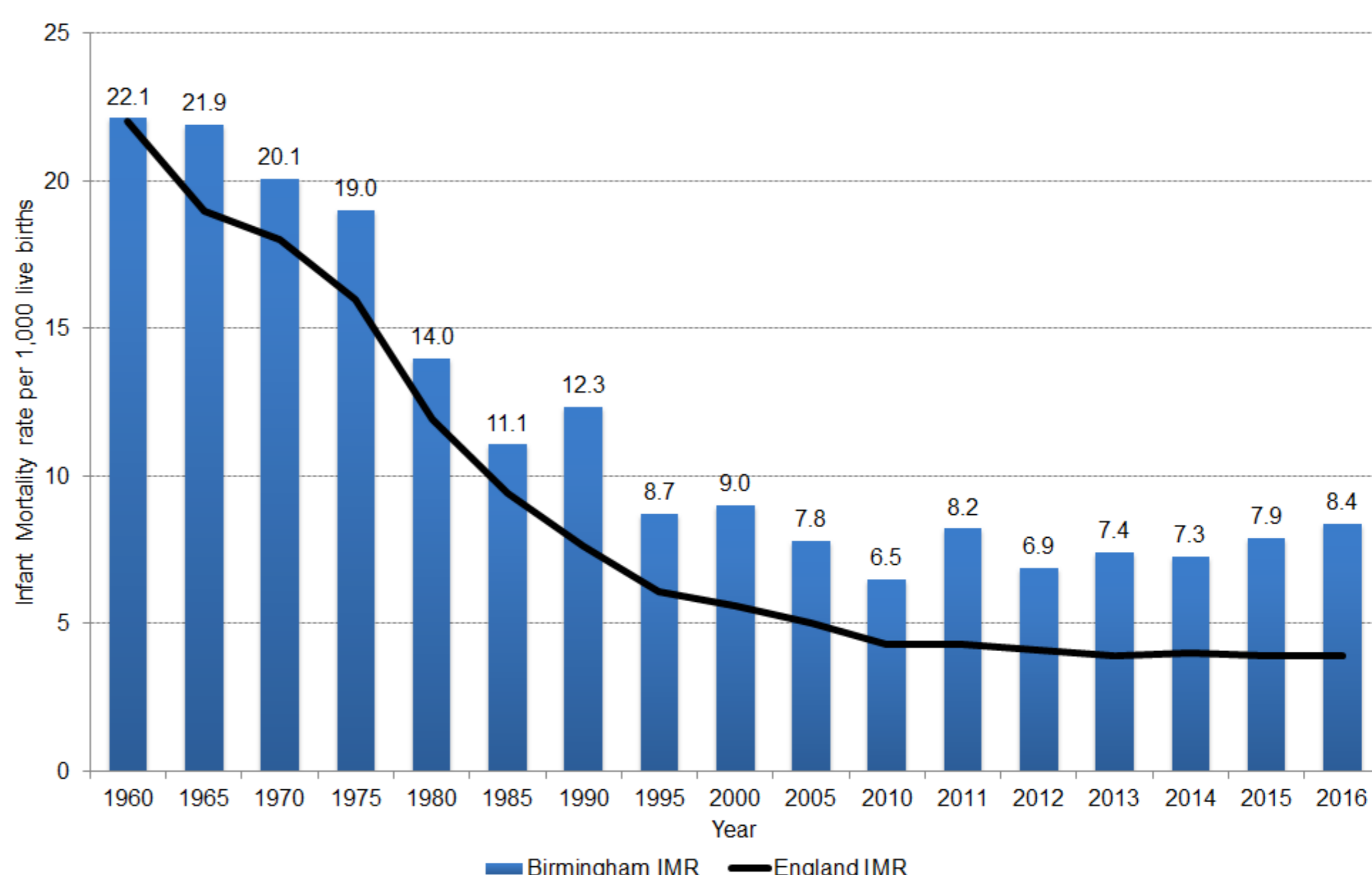
Deaths per Live Birth Rate 2014-16



Infant Mortality in Birmingham 2014-16



Comparison of Infant Mortality in England and Birmingham 1960 to 2016



Higher in Birmingham than England since 1960s.

Currently increasing although variable.

Recommendations

The **Birmingham & Solihull United Maternity Programme**, as it develops into the **Local Maternity System**, must be explicit about the arrangements for:

- supporting women with additional needs described within the report.
- identifying and motivating women who smoke and agree the referral arrangements with the Birmingham and Solihull Smoking Cessation providers.
- robust delivery of the NHS Saving Babies' Lives Care Bundle.

Birmingham Forward Steps must establish a systematic approach to supporting women's nutrition and physical activity in the postnatal period, particularly those who are overweight or obese.

