



HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD: 1 DECEMBER 2022

JOINT REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF ADULTS AND COMMUNITIES AND PUBLIC HEALTH

HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD GOVERNANCE

Purpose of report

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the Health and Wellbeing Board's approval for revised Terms of Reference for the Integration Executive, a subgroup of the Health and Wellbeing Board, and the establishment of a new Mental Health subgroup called the Leicestershire Mental Health group.

Link to the Local Health and Care System

2. The Health and Wellbeing Board leads and directs work to improve the health and wellbeing of the population of Leicestershire through the development of effective, high quality integrated health and social care services.

Recommendations

3. It is recommended that:
 - a) The revised Terms of Reference for the Integration Executive attached as Appendix A to this report be approved;
 - b) The establishment of a new Mental Health subgroup of the Health and Wellbeing Board (the Leicestershire Mental Health group), be approved;
 - c) Subject to b) above, the Terms of Reference for the Leicestershire Mental Health group attached as Appendix B to this report be approved;

Policy Framework and Previous Decisions

4. The current Terms of Reference for the Integration Executive were approved by the Health and Wellbeing Board at its meeting on 26 November 2020
5. Mental health is an important area reflected in the recognition and commitment to parity of esteem in national strategies by which mental health and physical health must be given equal priority, an approach which is enshrined in law by the Health and Social Care Act 2012.

6. At the meeting on the Health and Wellbeing Board on 24 February 2022, the Health and Wellbeing Board approved the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy (JHWS) 2022 – 2032. The Strategy recognises the need for improved mental health which is recognised as a cross-cutting priority.

Background

Integration Executive Terms of Reference

7. Following the Health and Wellbeing Board's approval of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy earlier in 2022, the Integration Executive held a development session in June 2022 which focused on the future role of the Executive, including the new responsibilities under the Living and Supported and Dying Well life stages of the Strategy. As a result of discussions, a number of amendments are proposed to be made to the Executive's Terms of Reference as follows:
- Reference has been made to the Integration Executive's role in delivering the Living and Supported Well and Dying Well life stages of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy.
 - Responsibility for development of the Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment, the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and the lead for communication and engagement on behalf of the Health and Wellbeing Board have been removed. These will instead fall to the Health and Wellbeing Board directly
 - The membership has been refreshed to note the change in function and title of the CCG to NHS, LLR ICB
8. The Integration Executive agreed the revised ToR, attached as Appendix A to the report, at its meeting on 6 September.

Leicestershire Mental Health Subgroup

9. Currently mental health, as a cross-cutting theme of the JHWS, reports into the Staying Healthy Partnership, which is a sub-group of the Health and Wellbeing Board.
10. A Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland wide working group of stakeholders from across the system have been meeting weekly over recent months to determine how to integrate the work being undertaken at a system, place and neighbourhood level to effectively deliver the mental health agenda.
11. A place based mental health sub-group is therefore being proposed that will enable co-ordination and collaborative working across Leicestershire.
12. Due to the range of areas being covered and the importance of mental health, it is felt that this area of work requires a dedicated sub-group which reports directly into the Health and Wellbeing Board, as opposed to the Staying Healthy Partnership. This would enable greater focus on all aspects of mental health with clear actions and accountability for improved outcomes.

13. The role of the sub-group would be to develop and deliver the mental health cross cutting priority elements of the JHWS, as well as other key place-based elements of the mental health agenda which require a co-ordinated approach. This will include:
- Work with Neighbourhood partnerships and other stakeholders to develop and implement a Place based mental health strategy and delivery plan.
 - Facilitate co-ordination, oversight, and collaborative working – across Leicestershire in relation to the spectrum of the mental health and emotional well-being agenda.
 - Lead on driving, co ordinating and enabling mental health transformation within Leicestershire.
 - Work with the Health and Wellbeing Board, Leicestershire County Council, district councils, local VCS partners and local health organisations to set priorities and take informed local decisions on implementation.
 - To work collaboratively with other Health and well-being board subgroups (Children and Families Partnership Board; the Integration Executive; and the Staying Healthy Partnership Group) to ensure that there is a shared view of the mental health agenda; and to help avoid duplication.
 - To work collaboratively with wider mental health system partners, including the LLR wide Mental Health Collaborative.
14. The mental health group will adopt an approach based on the ‘do, sponsor watch’ approach recognising that for a number of areas in scope, the work will be led and authorised elsewhere, but the group will maintain a ‘watch’ or ‘sponsor’ brief.

Reporting

15. The subgroup will work with the other Health and Wellbeing Board sub-groups in relation to the mental health elements of each life course of the JHWS; ensuring alignment of priorities whilst avoiding duplication. Updates on progress will be provided to the Health and Wellbeing Board as appropriate, highlighting any specific challenges that would require support from the board in addressing.
16. It is proposed that this place-based group will also link into the system wide mental health group called the LLR (Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland) Mental Health Collaborative group.

Membership

17. Membership of the group will be drawn from but not limited to the following areas:

LCC Representatives

- LCC Public Health
- LCC Adults and Communities
- LCC Children and Families

District Council Representatives

- Three Thematic leads

NHS/ICS Representatives

- Leicestershire Partnership NHS Trust
- Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland Integrated Care System (ICS)
- University Hospitals of Leicester
- Primary care

Partner Representatives

- Employment services or similar - Job centre plus/Department for Work and Pensions
- Representative from Leicestershire Police
- Voluntary Sector representative
- Healthwatch
- User/Carer representation
- Probation service

18. A copy of the Leicestershire Mental Health sub-group's draft Terms of Reference is attached to the report as Appendix B.

Resource Implications

19. The proposed establishment of the Leicestershire Mental Health subgroup will be undertaken using existing budgets and resources. The primary focus of the subgroup will be around co-ordinating new or existing services and resources as opposed to funding new services.

Equality and Human Rights Implications

20. None arising from this report. Individual service changes that result from the work of the Health and Wellbeing Board's subgroups will complete Equality and Human Rights Impact Assessments as appropriate.

Background papers

Report to the Health and Wellbeing Board – 24 February 2022 – Leicestershire Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2022 – 2032

<https://politics.leics.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=1038&MId=6942&Ver=4>

Report to the Health and Wellbeing Board – 26 November 2020 – Revised ToR for the Integration Executive

<https://politics.leics.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=1038&MId=6109&Ver=4>

Appendices

- Appendix A - Revised Integration Executive Terms of Reference
Appendix B - The Leicestershire Mental Health Group Terms of Reference

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