

HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD – 5TH DECEMBER 2024

REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH

JOINT LOCAL HEALTH & WELLBEING STRATEGY REFRESH - PROPOSAL

Purpose of report

1. The purpose of this report is to provide the Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) with an outline proposal for the Joint Local Health and Wellbeing Board Strategy (JLHWS) review due to commence in February 2025.
2. The report aims to set out the intended approach which will include the timeframes for delivery.

Recommendation

3. The HWB is recommended to:
 - a. **Approve** the suggested approach to carrying out the JLHWS review, included the suggested approach to carry out the consultation and engagement;
 - b. **Agree** the timescales for delivery.

Policy Framework and Previous Decision

4. HWBs were established under the Health and Social Care Act (2012) and were operational within each local authority from 1st April 2013. HWBs are responsible for a number of statutory duties, which includes the development and publication of a JLHWS.
5. The 10-year JLHWS for Leicestershire was approved by the HWB in February 2022.
6. It is worth highlighting that at the same time the Health and Care Act 2022 amended section 116A of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007, to replace references to 'clinical commissioning groups' with 'integrated care boards' (ICBs), it also renames 'joint health and wellbeing strategies' (JHWS) to 'joint local health and wellbeing strategies' (JLHWS).

Background

7. The JLHWS sets out the vision, priorities and action agreed by the HWB to meet the needs identified within the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) to improve the health, care and wellbeing of local communities and reduce health inequalities. The strategy comprises of four strategic priorities (that take a life course approach), three cross-cutting priorities, ten sub-priorities and eighty commitments.
8. The four HWB subgroups are responsible for delivering against each strategic priority, providing regular progress updates to the Board:
 - a. The Children and Family Partnership Board – Best Start for Life;
 - b. The Staying Healthy Partnership Board – Staying Healthy, Safe and Well;
 - c. The Integration Executive - Living and Supported Well and Dying Well;
 - d. The place-based Mental Health Group – Mental Health (as a cross-cutting theme).
9. The 10-year JLHWS was approved by the HWB in February 2022 with the view that an in-depth review will take place every 3 years to ensure that the priorities and commitments remain relevant.

Proposal

10. It was agreed by HWB members at a development session in July 2023 that the life course approach was the right approach. This approach also aligns with the priorities within the LLR HWP Integrated Care Strategy therefore the proposal is to focus the JLHWS review on the commitments within each strategic life course priority as opposed to the life course priorities themselves.
11. The review will commence in February 2025 and conclude by September 2025.
12. It is proposed that sub-groups assess the commitments and advise the HWB of any proposed deletions, alterations and/or additions with a rationale. These will be considered by the HWB at its meeting in September 2025.
13. The review provides an opportunity to carry out a sense check of the current priorities/commitments of the JLHWS. It is not a refresh or re-write of the JLHWS. On this basis the proposed approach for the consultation and engagement is by:
 - a. Engaging with voluntary sector partners coordinated by VAL;
 - b. Consult with the Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee;
 - c. Inform the HWP of the revised strategy following HWB approval.

14. The intention will be to come back to the HWB at the February 2025 meeting with a confirmed approach for carrying out the review, including key milestones.

Background Papers

Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2022-2032:

<https://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/sites/default/files/2024-04/Joint-Health-and-Wellbeing-Strategy-2022-2032.pdf>

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Relevant Impact Assessments

Equality Implications

15. There are no equality implications arising from the recommendations in this report.

Human Rights Implications

16. There are no human rights implications arising from the recommendations in this report.

Partnership Working and associated issues

17. The JLHWS review focuses on the commitment from partners in delivering the strategic objectives to improve the health and wellbeing of Leicestershire residents.

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