

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH**APPROVAL OF THE JOINT STRATEGIC NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND
NOTTINGHAMSHIRE HEALTH AND WELLBEING STRATEGY 2012-13****Purpose of the Report**

1. This report provides information on the recent refresh of the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and the development of the first Health and Wellbeing Strategy for Nottinghamshire. It outlines the process followed, including feedback from the public consultation and describes plans for ongoing development of these strategies.

Information and Advice

2. Nottinghamshire County Council established a shadow Health and Wellbeing Board in March 2011, in preparation for the proposed legislative changes set out in the Health and Social Care Bill.
3. The Health and Social Care Act received Royal Assent on 27th March 2012 giving upper tier local authorities the statutory responsibility to establish a Health and Wellbeing Board by April 2013. From 1st April 2013, the Health and Wellbeing Board will have the following core statutory responsibilities:
 - a. to prepare a Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA)
 - b. to prepare a Health and Wellbeing Strategy to address the needs identified
 - c. to produce a Pharmaceuticals Needs Assessment
 - d. to promote integrated working between the NHS and local government as well as commissioners and providers of services which impact on the wider determinants of health
 - e. to provide advice, assistance or other support to encourage financial partnerships under Section 75 of the National Health Service Act 2006 in connection with the provision of such services.
 - f. to encourage persons who arrange for the provision of any health or social care services in its area to work closely together.
4. Although the Health and Wellbeing Board does not take on its statutory duties until April 2013, the Board agreed to make an early start on agreeing local health and wellbeing priorities. The refresh of the JSNA and development of the first Health and Wellbeing Strategy aim to provide a useful baseline and reference point for organisations, during the shadow period.

Joint Strategic Needs Assessment

5. In July 2011, the Health and Wellbeing Board approved a recommendation made by the JSNA Steering Group to review the current Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA). The purpose of the refresh was to ensure the JSNA informed the development of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy and Clinical Commissioning Group Plans (and subsequently also support authorisation).
6. The refresh was focussed on the review of the existing Adults and Older People's Chapters, as the review of the Children and Young People's chapter had been completed in 2010.
7. The public consultation for the rapid refresh of the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment was conducted between 14th March and 23rd April 2012. The consultation was primarily a web-based consultation, hosted on a Nottinghamshire County Council webpage. Copies of the draft JSNA key messages were also made available in audio and braille format. In addition, invitations were sent to selected groups across the core organisations/partnerships to participate in the consultation.
8. One hundred and sixty-one (161) responses were received from individuals / groups via the web-based questionnaire and 8 other written responses were received. However, one hundred and forty-five (145) of the responses appear to have been from the same individual and therefore have been included only once.
9. The responses were similar for both the Adults and Older People's Chapters: Most respondents agreed that the key messages were clear, relevant groups and populations had been included, that information was presented at an appropriate level of detail and was easy to use. However, a number of respondents disagreed that it provided a full picture of health and wellbeing needs, that future needs of populations had been addressed, and gaps had been identified.
10. The comments have either been incorporated into a revision of the JSNA or included in the future work programme as described later in the report. The main comments from the consultation are summarised in the consultation response document listed as a background paper. The summary of comments is also available on the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment webpage: www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/jsna.
11. The final draft of the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment for 2012-13 and key messages is available to access and download from the JSNA webpage: www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/jsna

Health and Wellbeing Strategy

12. The Health and Wellbeing Board agreed the scope and format of the first Health and Wellbeing Strategy at its meeting on 11th January 2012. It was agreed that the first version would reflect common priority areas included in current organisational strategies. This would provide common goals for partners on which to focus early work under the shadow Health and Wellbeing Board. This also took account of the need for Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) to develop commissioning plans for 2012-13 as part of their authorisation process.
13. The Health and Wellbeing Board agreed that the scope of the strategy would include wider determinants of health, such as age, gender, lifestyle issues, living and working conditions

and social and community networks. General socio-economic, cultural and environmental conditions would not feature heavily in the strategy.

14. It was agreed that the Health and Wellbeing Strategy would not reflect the entirety of what needed to be commissioned to improve health and wellbeing. Instead it would reflect what could be done jointly to make further improvements.
15. On behalf of the Board, the Health and Wellbeing Strategy Editorial Group reviewed existing strategies from the core partners and identified 15 high level priority areas. These were assessed to ensure they reflected current local need and were supported by evidence.

Consultation

16. The public consultation for the Health and Wellbeing Strategy was conducted from 22nd February to 21st March 2012. As for the JSNA, the consultation was limited in this initial phase as plans are in place to develop a longer term work programme as described later in the report.
17. The web-based consultation was hosted on the Health and Wellbeing Board webpage. Copies of the draft strategy were also placed in the major libraries across Nottinghamshire. In addition, presentations were made to selected groups across the core organisations/partnerships connected to the Health and Wellbeing Board.
18. Each stakeholder was contacted with information on how to access the consultation and was also invited to attend a stakeholder network on 14th March 2012, which summarised the strategy and consultation process. In addition, a workshop was held for Health and Wellbeing Board members to support the selection of local priorities.
19. Comments were received from 47 individuals / groups. Comments were diverse but overall, the vast majority of respondents agreed with the priorities listed in the strategy.
20. Feedback highlighted the need to include domestic violence, housing and troubled families. Comments were made that further work was needed to identify specific actions within the broad priority areas and consider the needs of specific groups, for example healthy aging strategies.
21. Further comments are included in the summary of consultation responses available on the Health and Wellbeing Board webpage at:
<http://www3.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/caring/yourhealth/health-and-wellbeing-board/>
22. The Draft Health and Wellbeing Strategy for 2012-13 has been revised to respond to the comments made and address any associated concerns. Comments have also been received from the Plain Language Group. **Appendix One** includes the revised strategy.
23. Once approved, an electronic version of the final strategy will be available for access and download from the Health and Wellbeing Board webpage. In addition, a limited number of papers copies of the Strategy will be produced to raise the profile of the Health and Wellbeing Board and strategy and assist in further engagement with stakeholders.

24. An Equality Impact Assessment is being completed in relation to the content of the proposed Health and Wellbeing Strategy for 2012-13. This assesses the impact of any proposed change to services or policy on people with protected characteristics. This in turn demonstrates that the Health and Wellbeing Board have considered the aims of the Equality Duty.

Future Work Programme

25. As outlined above, consultation was limited in the initial phase as it was recognised that the short timeframe for delivery and the complexity of content would not fully ensure effective engagement. It was also noted that the plans in place to develop a longer term work programme would mean that the JSNA and strategy would continue to develop over time. Therefore, the consultation is aimed to inform the development of this ongoing work programme.
26. All comments received are being considered as part of the development of the work programme for the JSNA and strategy. The work programme will also include wide engagement and consultation, ensuring the views of communities are captured in a meaningful way as part of the longer term work.
27. Key actions identified to deliver the strategy will also be incorporated into the work programme plan and monitored by the Health and Wellbeing Implementation Group. This will also ensure alignment is maintained between the strategy and local commissioning plans.

Endorsement of the JSNA and Health and Wellbeing Strategy

28. The Health and Wellbeing Board endorsed the content of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy at its meeting on 2nd May 2012, although it acknowledged the need for further development, including the agreement of specific actions to support delivery of each priority area.
29. The Health and Wellbeing Board subsequently endorsed the content of the JSNA (for Adults and Older People) on 27th June 2012.
30. The Policy Committee is asked to ratify the JSNA and Health and Wellbeing Strategy on behalf of Nottinghamshire County Council. These strategies will also be ratified by the Primary Care Trust Boards to ensure robust governance across Nottinghamshire County (including Bassetlaw). Clinical Commissioning Group Boards may also formally endorse the JSNA and strategy through presentation to their shadow Boards.
31. As the Health and Social Care Act does not come into force until April 2013, the approval of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy is not being made under the provisions of the Act.

Statutory and Policy Implications

32. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of finance, equal opportunities, human resources, crime and disorder, human rights, the safeguarding of children, sustainability and the environment and those using the service and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

RECOMMENDATION/S

It is recommended that the Policy Committee:

- 1) Approves the Nottinghamshire Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and Health and Wellbeing Strategy for 2012-13.

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Constitutional Comments (SG 27/06/2012)

33. The Committee is responsible for determining policies not reserved to Full Council. The Committee is the appropriate body to consider the proposals set out in this Report.

Financial Comments (RWK 04/07/12)

34. The plans and activities contained in, and developed as a result of, the Nottinghamshire Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and the Health and Wellbeing Strategy for Nottinghamshire for 2012/13 will be delivered within the financial resources available to the County Council and its health service partners.

Background Papers

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

- a. Report to the Health & Wellbeing Board 2 May 2012 - 'Nottinghamshire Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2012-13.'
- b. Our Strategy for Health & Wellbeing in Nottinghamshire: Priorities for 2012-13 Consultation Response available at: <http://www3.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/caring/yourhealth/health-and-wellbeing-board/>
- c. Report to the Health & Wellbeing Board 27 June 2012 – 'Joint Strategic Needs Assessment Rapid Refresh - Approval'
- d. Joint Strategic Needs Assessment full document and key messages available at: www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/jsna
- e. Joint Strategic Needs Assessment for Nottinghamshire: Rapid Refresh 2012 – Consultation Response.

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

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