

Health & Wellbeing Board Summary 2 December 2015

Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA)

Kristina McCormick gave the Board an overview of progress on the JSNA which now had 33 chapters. The information in the JSNA is being used widely. Users include Trading Standards, voluntary sector organisations & commissioners when services are being reviewed. There are also plans to make sure that JSNA evidence is required for all County Council funding applications.

There is a programme of work to continue to develop the JSNA, in particular to improve how the voluntary sector can contribute to the evidence, including a process to make sure that evidence submitted meets quality standards.

Safeguarding Children Board Annual Report

Chris Few, Chair of the Safeguarding Board attended the meeting to present the Safeguarding Boards annual report. He assured members that safeguarding arrangements in Nottinghamshire had been audited & monitored & that they were rated 'good'. This had also been supported by Ofsted during a recent inspection.

The Safeguarding Board is continuing to deal with cases of historic sexual abuse. Chris was keen to assure people that services had changed & are being continuously improved to avoid cases happening in the future. Anyone with concerns past or present are encouraged to report them.

The Safeguarding Board are also encouraging a Think Family approach to support services to think about families when dealing with issues rather than an individual in isolation, for example the impact on children when dealing with a parent who might have mental health issues.

Community empowerment & resilience programme

This programme is being developed to support community development in Nottinghamshire. It is part of Redefining Your Council which is a wider project to make sure that the County Council can deliver services in a sustainable way. Cathy Harvey described the programme to Board which aims to make local communities more resilient. It is based on 2 themes – a universal one which to support the voluntary sector so it can maintain & improve its support to communities. The second theme will focus on particular areas or topics like loneliness for example.

The programme will bring together strands of similar work which are already happening in health, local government & through other partners like the police. The Board agreed that voluntary sector organisations play a vital role in improving health & wellbeing & welcomed an opportunity to support them & develop their services.

At this meeting:

[Joint Strategic Needs Assessment](#) – progress & plans

[Safeguarding Board](#) – annual report

[Community engagement & resilience](#) – programme to make communities more resilient

[BCF update](#) – progress report

[Young people's health strategy](#) – update on transformation plan

[Tobacco declaration](#) – 21 partners signed up!

Better Care Fund update

Joanna Cooper gave the Board an update on the BCF in Nottinghamshire. Generally performance is on track for the BCF in Nottinghamshire. Delayed transfer of care are now being reported in line with the guidance and an action plan has been agreed to reduce activity by February.

There has been confirmation nationally that the BCF will continue beyond the end of the current plan although from 2017 it may be phased out if we can demonstrate that local plans are working towards the national ambition of joined up health and social care.

Young People's Health Strategy

The Children & Young People's Mental Health & Wellbeing Transformation Plan is one the 7 Strategic Actions for the Board. Gary Eves & Kate Allen confirmed that the Plan has been approved by NHS England. Funding is in place to support the delivery of the plan which includes a Nottinghamshire health & wellbeing website for young people & the development of an online counselling service.

The GP reps on the Board said that they have seen an improvement in mental health services in Nottinghamshire recently.

The Board were keen to see a performance framework for children & young people's mental health across Nottinghamshire to monitor all aspects ranging from prevention through to specialist care.

The Board were also keen to better understand the role of schools in providing emotional health & wellbeing support for children & young people & ensuring that they adopted the recommendations made in the [Future in Mind report](#).

Update on tobacco declaration

Sign up to the Tobacco Declaration is another of the Boards 7 Strategic Actions & John Tomlinson confirmed that 21 partners had agreed to sign up in Nottinghamshire. 19 of them had already signed the declaration. Nottinghamshire Police, Nottingham University Hospitals & East Midlands Ambulance Service are still to sign.

Sign up to the Declaration is now part of the Wellbeing@Work Scheme to improve health & wellbeing at work. The plan for the tobacco team over the next 12 months is to continue to support the organisations who have already signed up & to get more employers on board.

Chair's report

The Board agreed the new governance arrangements. Members asked for regular reports from the Better Care Fund, the Health & Wellbeing Implementation Group & the 3 transformation boards in Nottinghamshire to be added to the work programme.