

HEALTH & WELLBEING BOARD SUMMARY Wednesday 4 May 2022 (2pm)

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[CHAIR'S REPORT](#)

The Chair introduced the report and spoke of the problems facing teachers having to deal with pupils starting school who lack basic skills, with the teachers having to parent the children as well as teach them. The Chair referred to the high number of adolescent girls who do not do enough physical activity and spoke of the many benefits of exercise on people's physical and mental health. The Chairman praised Gedling Borough Council's initiative where eligible residents were given a swimming passport and informed members that studies had shown that the biggest barrier to people accessing facilities was the cost. The Vice Chair emphasised the link between exercise and good health and spoke of the importance of place-based facilities.

The Chair referred to the problem of alcohol and drugs and spoke about the 'Harm to Hope' strategy and the 10 year, £5.6m investment. Problems have increased because of Covid and there is a need to work closer with the criminal justice system as a result. In the last 2 years there has been an increase in opiate related deaths and accidental overdoses. Jonathan Gribbin informed members that work was already underway with the Police & Crime Commissioner with the aim of providing consistent support in the City and the County. Mr Gribbin stated that it was welcomed that the monies made available could be spent on alcohol, as well as drug, problems as the greater burden is caused by the former in Nottinghamshire and nationwide.

[THE NOTTINGHAMSHIRE JOINT HEALTH AND WELLBEING STRATEGY 2022 – 2026: WORKSHOP](#)

The Chair introduced the report and praised the quality of the recent workshop. The Chair spoke of the importance of devising a strategy at a time when an integrated care system is being developed. The aim is to increase life expectancy in Nottinghamshire. An update was delivered and highlighted the following:

- Preparations for delivery include developing delivery structures and a monitoring framework as well as reviewing the membership of the Board.

- A Framework for Action will contain details of key proposals, both nationally and locally, which partners can take on board.
- Four Programme Groups will be established – one for each ambition.
- A new HWB website will be developed which will promote the work of the Board and increase its visibility. The website will contain details of the strategy and encourage residents to engage in the process.
- Following the Workshop a Task and Finish group was established that will look at the feedback gathered from the Workshop and put forward a monitoring framework for the Board to approve at its June meeting. This will link to the ICS Outcomes Framework and the Nottinghamshire Plan.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

the Chair introduced the report which detailed the recommended additional membership to the Board. The Chair informed members that initially the government mandated the membership but that the degree of integration that had occurred since could not have been anticipated. For the Board to be able to implement its strategy the membership must be made up of people who can lead change in their organisations and drive the success of the strategy. There was now the opportunity to deliver the strategy through the membership in a way that had not been available before.

The statutory membership of the Board was required to change as part of the requirements of the Health and Social Care Bill which stipulated the Integrated Care Board take over the membership from Clinical Commissioning Groups. The report also was requesting approval for the addition of Bassetlaw, Mid-Nottinghamshire and South Nottinghamshire Place Based partnerships to the membership of the Board.

ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT: BEST START STRATEGY

Louise Lester, consultant in public health, introduced the report and delivered a presentation that highlighted the following:

- The fundamental importance of a good start in life to the future health and wellbeing of individuals.
- The Best Start Strategy has 10 ambitions with an action plan for each to be delivered by the relevant subgroup or partnership.
- To date there have been 6 well attended meetings which focus on each of the ambitions in turn.
- Much progress has been made including the establishment of new antenatal parent groups; additional training for midwives and health visitors with pathways to mental health support strengthened; additional resources supplied to parents during lockdown; targeted offers to improve the quality of parent/child relationships; increased engagement in tobacco support with the focus on reducing smoking during pregnancy.
- There is more detail in the report, progress has been made but there is still much to do.

The Chair asked about the problem of parents refusing to let their children have the covid vaccination. Ms Lester replied that work is ongoing to establish the reasons for this but in Nottinghamshire the take up has been generally good.