

## **Health and Wellbeing Board**

24 January 2018

Report of the Director of Public Health (Living and Working Well Health and Wellbeing Board Theme Lead)

## **Progress on the Living and Working Wellbeing Theme of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2017-2022 (including performance)**

### **Summary**

1. This report asks the Health and Wellbeing Board (HWBB) to note the update on progress made against delivery of the Living and Working well theme of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2017-2022.

### **Background**

2. At their meeting in March 2017 Health and Wellbeing Board (HWBB) launched the new Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2017-2022. The strategy is based around a life course approach with Living and Working well as one of the key priorities.

### **Context**

3. There are approximately 200,000 residents in York of which two thirds are of working age (16-64).
4. 3.8% of York's population live in areas that are among the most deprived in the country. Poverty is associated with much poorer health and wellbeing outcomes and there are also poorer outcomes for certain vulnerable groups, e.g. the gypsy and Roma community and the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) population.
5. Although York has generally good levels of employment. Not all residents have this experience. The rate of unemployment in the most deprived wards is three times that of the least deprived wards. Additionally, the likelihood of staying unemployed for more than a year is five times greater in the most deprived

wards. The health outcomes for these groups of people are likely to be worse as a result.

6. Over 20% of working people in York earned less than the living wage (as recommended by the living wage foundation). Additionally, a large proportion of working families on low incomes rely on tax credits to supplement their income.
7. Screening programmes and health checks are an important way of raising awareness of health risks and identifying problems early. Take up of bowel cancer screening in adults in York is lower than the England average, as is take up of health checks.
8. Excess weight is a risk factor for a wide range of long term health conditions and a reduced life expectancy. York has a lower proportion of adults who are overweight or obese than the national average, but this still means that over half of adults in York are either overweight or obese.

### **Main/Key Issues to be Considered**

9. The table at Annex A sets out the priorities within the living and working well theme of the joint health and wellbeing strategy 2017-2022 and gives examples of some of the ongoing work and the progress made to date in delivering against this theme.
10. A performance summary is attached at Annex B based on the agreed indicators for this theme.
11. An initial meeting was set up to bring together partners to consider what work is already ongoing to help deliver against this theme and where the gaps existed. Due to the diversity of this theme it is considered that a better approach would be to have task and finish groups to look at areas where further work needs to be developed.

### **Consultation**

12. Extensive engagement and consultation took place with residents and stakeholders when the joint health and wellbeing strategy 2017-2022 was being developed.

## **Options**

13. There are no specific options for the Health and Wellbeing Board; they are asked to note and comment on this report.

## **Analysis**

14. Not applicable.

## **Strategic/Operational Plans**

15. This report has direct links to the living and working well element of the joint health and wellbeing strategy 2017-2022.

## **Implications**

15. There are no implications associated with the recommendations in this report.

## **Risk Management**

16. There are no risks associated with the recommendations in this report.

## **Recommendations**

17. The Health and Wellbeing Board are asked to note and comment on the report.

**Reason:** to keep the Health and Wellbeing Board informed as to progress on delivery against the Living and working well theme of the joint health and wellbeing strategy 2017-2022

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**Specialist Implications Officer(s)** None

**Wards Affected:**

**All**

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**Background Papers:**

Joint health and wellbeing strategy 2017-2022

**Annexes**

**Annex A** – Table of ongoing work: living and working well theme of the joint health and wellbeing strategy 2017-2022

**Annex B** – Performance summary

**Glossary**

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