

Proposal for a Refresh of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy

Summary

1. The purpose of this report is to set out proposals for a refresh of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy for York. The existing Strategy runs until 2022 but there are a number of national and local policy drivers now influencing the Health and Wellbeing Board which need to be considered.
2. An early refresh of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy will ensure the Strategy is fit for purpose and enable the Health and Wellbeing Board to be in a strong position to set the right strategic vision and priorities for improving the health of York residents, strengthening the Board's role in:
 - High level assurance
 - Holding partners to account
 - Influencing commissioning across the increasingly complex health and social care system, as well as the wider determinants of health
 - Reducing health inequalities
 - Promoting a greater focus on prevention (primary, secondary and tertiary)

Background

3. During 2015/16 there was extensive engagement with stakeholders and residents on the priorities for a new Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy for York. This ranged from attendance at meetings, focused engagement events and an online survey. Over 1200 responses were received in total.

4. There were a number of common themes identified which were used to inform the priorities in the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy around four main themes as set out in the table below:

Four themes for Health and Wellbeing in York 2017-2022

Theme	Mental Health and Wellbeing	Starting and Growing Well	Living and Working Well	Ageing Well
Top Priorities	Get better at spotting the early signs of mental ill health and intervening early	Support for the first 1001 days, especially for vulnerable communities	Promote workplace health and remove barriers to employment	Reduce loneliness and isolation for older people
Additional things we want to achieve	<p>Focus on recovery and rehabilitation</p> <p>Improve services for young mothers, children and young people</p> <p>Improve the services for those with learning disabilities</p> <p>Ensure that York becomes a Suicide Safer city</p> <p>Ensure that York is both a mental health and dementia friendly environment</p>	<p>Reduce inequalities in outcomes for particular groups of children</p> <p>Ensure children and young people are free from all forms of neglect and abuse</p> <p>Improve services for students</p> <p>Improve services for vulnerable mothers</p> <p>Ensure that York becomes a breastfeeding-friendly city</p> <p>Make sustained progress towards a smoke-free generation in York</p>	<p>Reduce inequalities for those living in the poorer wards and for vulnerable groups</p> <p>Help residents make good choices</p> <p>Support people to maintain a healthy weight</p> <p>Help people to help themselves including management of long-term conditions</p> <p>Work with the Safer York Partnership to implement the city's new alcohol strategy</p>	<p>Continue work on delayed discharges from hospital</p> <p>Celebrate the role that older people play and use their talents</p> <p>Enable people to recover faster</p> <p>Support the vital contribution of York's carers</p> <p>Increase the use of social prescribing</p> <p>Enable people to die well in their place of choice</p>
Directed by dedicated groups, and measured through both hard data and what people tell us				

5. The aim of the refreshed Strategy will be to focus on a smaller number of key strategic priorities and so the purpose of the consultation will be to test the approach to the proposed priorities, build consensus and galvanise energy and resource around the strategy.

Main/Key Issues to be Considered

6. The refreshed Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy is intended to be a key document that will set the priorities for the Health and Wellbeing Board.
7. The Strategy is not intended to include everything that all partners do.
8. The Strategy must be based on intelligence from the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and other evidence of local knowledge.
9. The Strategy must be fit for purpose to enable commissioners to plan and drive integration of services across health and social care

where the evidence shows this will deliver improved health outcomes for individuals and communities and best value.

10. The refreshed Strategy needs to take account of the NHS planning landscape if it is to be effective in delivering health improvements for York residents. York is part of the Vale of York and Scarborough NHS planning footprint and so it is important that the York Health and Wellbeing Strategy seeks to align our priorities with those for North Yorkshire wherever it is appropriate to do so with localised place-based mobilisation and delivery.
11. The Strategy must also be aligned to the financial realities of the local Health, Public Health and Care System. We need to be aspirational in delivering improvements in health and reducing health inequalities experienced by York residents but realistic as to what can be delivered within the constraints of the NHS local system multi-year financial recovery plans and local authority and partner organisations medium term financial strategies.

Consultation

12. As well as sense checking the priorities the consultation is an opportunity to bring partners and communities on board and identify capacity and opportunities to make a difference to identified needs.
13. Proposed timeline for consultation on the refresh of the Strategy is set out below:

Health & Wellbeing Board receive proposal for refresh of the Joint Health & Wellbeing Strategy for York	01 August 2019
Triangulation of data through the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment process	August - September
Prioritisation workshop with senior officers from partner organisations to review the evidence and emerging themes and agree the priorities for the refreshed strategy for public consultation.	September 2019
Public consultation on draft priorities	October - December
Draft refreshed Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy considered by the Health and Wellbeing Board, Vale of York Clinical Commissioning Group and Health and Adult Social Care Policy and Scrutiny Committee	February 2020

Final Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy approved and published	March 2020
Formal approval and adoption by the Council Executive and Vale of York Clinical Commissioning Group and partner organisations represented on the Health and Wellbeing Board	March 2020

Options

14. There are no options for consideration by the Board.

Analysis

15. Because the Board is not being asked to consider alternative options there is no analysis.

Strategic/Operational Plans

16. The NHS Long Term Plan implementation guidance and the new City of York Council Plan will be used to help inform the refresh of the Strategy.

Implications

17. There are no specialist implications from this report.

- **Financial**

There are no financial implications in this report.

- **Human Resources (HR)**

There are no human resources implications in this report.

- **Equalities**

There are no equalities implications in this report.

- **Legal**

The Health and Wellbeing Board has a duty under the Health and Social Care Act to produce and publish a Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy.

- **Crime and Disorder**

There are no crime and disorder implications in this report.

- **Information Technology (IT)**

There are no IT implications in this report.

- **Property**

There are no property implications in this report.

Risk Management

18. There is a risk of lack of engagement in developing the new strategy but this can be mitigated by working through existing groups and partnerships.
19. The timescale for agreeing the priorities and the Strategy is very tight. The deadline for the Vale of York Clinical Commissioning Group submission of their local NHS Long Term Plan is 27 September 2019 and so as far as possible we need to align the work on identifying the priorities in the refreshed Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy to this timescale.

Recommendations

20. The Health and Wellbeing Board are asked to:
 - i. Consider the report
 - ii. Agree the timeline for refresh of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy

Reason:

To enable the Board to develop and own a Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy that will provide a single unifying vision for the improvement of the health and wellbeing of York residents.

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Specialist Implications Officer(s)

There are no specialist implications.

Wards Affected:

All

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