

Health and Wellbeing Board

17th April 2013

York's Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2013 – 2016

Background

Members of the Health and Wellbeing Board are aware that work to develop York's first Health and Wellbeing Strategy has been underway over recent months.

The Health and Wellbeing Board is asked to:

To formally approve the Health and Wellbeing Strategy at today's Board meeting.

The Health and Wellbeing Strategy is attached as Annex A.

An overview of the strategy

The Health and Wellbeing Strategy relates to and draws upon a wide evidence base including national and local research, existing strategies and frameworks. The 2012 Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA), a comprehensive assessment of the health and wellbeing needs in the City, has been a principal piece of evidence, and references to it can be seen throughout the strategy.

The strategy aims to address the recommendations in the JSNA and the health and wellbeing issues that have been identified by stakeholders, throughout the extensive consultation.

Strategic priorities

The Health and Wellbeing Strategy focuses on the following five priorities:

1. Making York a great place for older people to live
2. Reducing health inequalities
3. Improving mental health and intervening early
4. Enabling all children and young people to have the best start in life

5. Creating a financially sustainable local health and wellbeing system

In order to deliver these priorities, the strategy also contains a number of principles and actions which will deliver the five priorities above. The four health and wellbeing partnerships below will be responsible for delivering these actions over the next three years and will report to the Health and Wellbeing Board regularly with their progress.

In order to monitor the impact that the Health and Wellbeing Strategy will have, a performance framework is being developed. This will bring together a range of measures from across the local health and wellbeing system – a joint approach to monitoring and evaluating health and wellbeing outcomes.

Contributions

The Health and Wellbeing Board would like to thank everyone who has contributed to the development of this strategy. It has been encouraging to see such a high levels of engagement and willingness to collaborate from a range of stakeholders (staff, volunteers, community and voluntary sector representatives). York CVS and York LINK have been particularly instrumental in gathering valuable feedback from people who use services and their families via their networks and forums. We hope that you can see these views reflected in the strategy.

The consultation does not stop here. The strategy is a living document and will continue to be adapted as needs change and issues arise. We want to build on this dialogue with stakeholders to ensure that they can influence the work of the Health and Wellbeing Board and the planning and provision of future health and wellbeing services.

Council Plan

The proposals in this paper have particular relevance to the 'Building Strong Communities' and 'Protecting Vulnerable People' strands of the Council plan.

Implications

- **Financial**

The health and wellbeing strategy will impact on service planning and commissioning decisions. The health and wellbeing board will not take specific decisions on services or commissioning, however they will set the strategic direction for health and wellbeing services over the next three years.

- **Human Resources (HR)**

No HR implications

- **Equalities**

The health and wellbeing strategy may well affect access to service provision. Decisions about accessing specific services will not be taken by the board. Addressing health inequality and targeting more resource towards the greatest need should positively impact on equalities. The difference in life expectancy between communities in York is an overarching aim of the Health and Wellbeing Board and its partnership boards. The impact of the strategy's priorities was assessed under a community impact assessment (CIA) prior to its sign off in April 2013.

- **Legal**

No legal implications

- **Crime and Disorder**

No crime and disorder implications

- **Information Technology (IT)**

No IT implications

- **Property**

No Property implications

- **Other**

No other implications

Risk Management

There are no significant risks associated with the recommendations in this paper.

Recommendation

To formally approve the Health and Wellbeing Strategy at today's Board meeting.

Reason: To fulfil its duty to lead the improvement of health and wellbeing outcomes for people in York and so we can move towards its implementation.

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A. Wards Affected:

All

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Annexes

Annex A – York's Health and Wellbeing Strategy