

## LINCOLNSHIRE HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

Open Report on behalf of Derek Ward, Director of Public Health

Report to	<b>Lincolnshire Health and Wellbeing Board</b>
Date:	<b>24 September 2019</b>
Subject:	<b>Advancing our health: prevention in the 2020s Green Paper</b>

### Summary:

On 22 July 2019, the government published its Prevention Green Paper setting out how it plans to embed the principle of 'prevention is better than cure' in order to transform the nation's health over the next decade.

The Green Paper poses a number of specific questions and asks for views on the proposals by 14 October 2019. A proposed response to the consultation is presented in Appendix A and the Health and Wellbeing Board is asked to consider the paper and provide any additional views.

### Actions Required:

The Health and Wellbeing Board is asked to:

- consider the draft response to the Prevention Green Paper;
- provide any additional views or comments;
- agree if the Board should respond to the consultation;
- agree for the Chairman of the Board to sign off any response prior to submission by 14 October 2019.

### 1. Background

The long waited prevention Green Paper, [\*Advancing our health: prevention in the 2020s\*](#) was published by the government on 22 July 2019. The paper states it signals a new approach for the health and care system by putting prevention at the centre of all decision making. It also sees the 2020s as the decade of 'proactive, predictive, and personalised prevention'. This means:

- targeted support
- tailored lifestyle advice
- personalised care

- greater protection against future threats.

The Paper emphasises the need to view health as an asset to invest in throughout a person's life and not just a problem to fix when things go wrong. This will require taking an asset based approach through all stages of life which also focus on the wider determinants of health to enable everyone to have a solid foundation on which to build good health. The aim is to shift away from dealing with the consequences of poor health to promoting the conditions for good health.

The consultation asks a number of specific questions and a proposed response is shown in Appendix A.

## 2. Conclusion

The Green Paper asks for views on the government's proposed new approach for the health and care system which focuses on prevention. The Board is therefore asked to consider its response.

## 3. Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and Joint Health & Wellbeing Strategy

The Council and Clinical Commissioning Groups must have regard to the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy.

Information from the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy has been used to inform that response presented in Appendix A.

## 4. Consultation

Not applicable

## 5. Appendices

These are listed below and attached at the back of the report	
Appendix A	Draft response to the Advancing our health: prevention in the 2020s Green Paper consultation

## 6. Background Papers

Document	Where can it be accessed
Advancing our health: prevention in the 2020s – Green Paper Consultation	<a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/advancing-our-health-prevention-in-the-2020s">https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/advancing-our-health-prevention-in-the-2020s</a>

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