


Agenda Item 5

		THE HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE FOR LINCOLNSHIRE	
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Open Report on behalf of Derek Ward, Director of Public Health

Report to	Health Scrutiny Committee for Lincolnshire
Date:	19 April 2023
Subject:	Joint Strategic Needs Assessment for Lincolnshire

Summary:

The Lincolnshire Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) has a statutory responsibility to produce and publish a Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) on the current and future health and wellbeing needs of Lincolnshire’s population.

Following an eighteen-month review, Lincolnshire’s new JSNA was approved for publication by the HWB at its meeting on 28 March 2023. The JSNA resource is now available on the Lincolnshire Health Intelligence Hub.

Actions Required:

The Committee is asked to note the publication of Lincolnshire’s new Joint Strategic Needs Assessment.

1. Background

The Health and Care Act (2012) (as amended by the Health and Care Act 2022) places a joint responsibility on upper tier local authorities and Integrated Care Board (ICB) to prepare and publish a JSNA through the Health and Wellbeing Board, and to use the JSNA to inform decision making, commissioning, and the development of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy (JHWS). The JSNA provides the evidence base for the health and wellbeing needs of the local population. The JHWS sets out agreed priorities and joint actions for partners to address the health and wellbeing needs identified in the JSNA. Together, the JSNA and JHWS are the vehicles for ensuring the needs, and local determinants of health of the local population, are identified and agreed.

Local authorities and ICBs must have regard to the JSNA and JHWS so far as it is relevant when exercising their functions. The Lincolnshire Integrated Care Partnership must also have regard to the JSNA when developing the Integrated Care Strategy. The strategy should include the key strategic priorities for system level action required to address the needs identified in the JSNA and complement what is already being done through the JHWS.

In June 2021, the HWB agreed proposals to move away from a topic-based structure to a life course approach based on the following chapter headings:

- **Start Well** – information about the health and wellbeing of children and young people, aged 0-19 years.
- **Live Well** – information about the health and wellbeing of working age adults, including the wider determinants of health.
- **Age Well** – information about the health and wellbeing of older adults.

This new approach aims to keep the JSNA strategically focused on key factors important for health and wellbeing. Underpinning the overview narratives of each life course chapter are a series of factsheets on the specific needs, conditions, or risk factors to provide the reader with key information, analysis, and resources for where further information can be found. Wherever possible, wider needs assessments, and intelligence gathering exercises, will be plugged into the JSNA. For example, the DPH Annual reports, Population Health Management, and the work already underway on health inequalities. This will ensure the JSNA becomes a comprehensive, evidence-based resource, for all partners in Lincolnshire to use. The formal review process to develop the new JSNA began in September 2021.

The biggest advancement in the redeveloped JSNA is the integration of an automated updated back-end 'data lake' which will feed the interactive reporting visible to the public. This will ensure the most up-to-date information is always available as part of the Lincolnshire JSNA. It will save considerable officer time in refreshing and processing datasets.

The new JSNA went live in March 2023 and is available to view at [Lincolnshire Health Intelligence Hub \(LHIH\)](#). This new web platform paves the way for future public health intelligence provision across the ICS. It will enable us to create insights to support evidence-informed decision making at a scale beyond that which is currently possible.

A presentation on the new JSNA will be given to the committee at the meeting.

2. Consultation

Key stakeholders, partners, and representative groups were engaged as part of refreshing the JSNA.

3. Conclusion

The Health and Wellbeing Board has a statutory duty to produce and publish a JSNA for Lincolnshire and to use it to inform the priorities in the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy.

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4. Appendices

These are listed below and attached at the back of the report:	
Appendix A	Presentation: Lincolnshire Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (<i>Published March 2023</i>)

5. Background Papers

No background papers within Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972 were used in the preparation of this report.

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