

Agenda Item 7

		THE HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE FOR LINCOLNSHIRE	
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Open Report on behalf of Dr Tony Hill, Executive Director of Community Wellbeing and Public Health

Report to	Health Scrutiny Committee for Lincolnshire
Date:	21 October 2015
Subject:	Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy Overview

Summary:

The Health and Social Care Act 2012 places a duty on Health and Wellbeing Boards to produce a Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy detailing the shared commissioning priorities based on the needs identified in the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment. The Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy for Lincolnshire 2013-2018 was developed following extensive consultation and agreed by the Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board in September 2012.

This report provides the Health Scrutiny Committee for Lincolnshire with an overview of the strategy, including details of the Mid Term Review agreed by the Health and Wellbeing Board in June 2015, and the assurance arrangements that are in place to assess the progress being made to deliver improving health and wellbeing outcomes.

Actions Required:

The Health Scrutiny Committee for Lincolnshire is asked to:

- Consider and comment on the purpose of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy and the Lincolnshire Health and Wellbeing Board's responsibilities in respect of it;
- Consider and comment on the Mid Term Review of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy;
- Consider and comment on the arrangements in place to assess progress and scrutinise the activities supporting the delivery of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy;
- Agree to receive the HWB's 2015 Annual Assurance Report at November's meeting.

1. Background

Under the Health and Social Care Act 2012 Health and Wellbeing Boards (HWB) are required to produce a Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy (JHWS). The purpose of the JHWS is to set out the strategic commissioning direction for all organisations who commission services in order to improve the health and wellbeing of the population and reduce inequalities. The JHWS is based on the priorities identified in the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA). Local Authority and Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) service planning and commissioning intentions are required to take account of both the JSNA and JHWS.

At a previous meeting of the Health Scrutiny Committee for Lincolnshire (HSC) the Committee asked for a general overview of the JHWS. This report provides HSC with a brief outline of the five JHWS Themes; details of the recent Mid Term Review; as well as information on the HWB assurance framework and wider scrutiny arrangements in place to assess the progress being made to deliver the JHWS. With the agreement of the HSC, our intention is to present the 2015 HWB annual assurance report at the next meeting of this committee on 18 November 2015.

Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy

In Lincolnshire, the current JHWS was agreed by the Shadow HWB in September 2012 following an extensive period of consultation and engagement with stakeholders, partners, community groups and the public. The JHWS consists of five themes:

1. **Promoting healthier lifestyles** - we want to make sure people have all the information and support they need to make healthier choices so people are supported to lead healthier lives.
2. **Improve the health and wellbeing of older people in Lincolnshire** - we want to make sure older people have more choice and control, receive the help they need and are valued and respected within their communities so older people are able to live life to the full and feel part of their community.
3. **Delivering high quality systematic care for major causes of ill health and disability** - we want to make sure people stay as healthy as possible but when they do develop health conditions they are supported to manage these conditions as effectively as possible so people are prevented from developing long term health conditions, have them identified early if they do develop them and are supported effectively to manage them.
4. **Improving health and social outcomes and reducing inequalities for children** - we want all children in Lincolnshire to have the best start in life and realise their full potential. This begins before birth and continues through the early years of life and throughout school years.
5. **Tackling the social determinants of health** - we want to ensure that people in Lincolnshire have access to good quality housing and work, and have adequate income in order to improve their health and wellbeing so people's health and wellbeing is improved through addressing wider determining factors of health that affect the whole community.

In addition to the five themes, the JHWS also identified three cross cutting issues which are reflected in all or most of the themes, these are: Mental Health, Inequalities and Carers.

Mid Term Review

Following the Assurance Review in 2014 the HWB asked for a 'mid-term review' of the JHWS to ensure the strategy continues to remain current, especially in light of national and regional developments since 2012 such as the Better Care Fund and Lincolnshire Health and Care. Specifically each Theme Group was asked to:

- Review the suite of indicators being used to monitor the outcomes and priorities to ensure they are appropriate and able to demonstrate progress in improving the health and wellbeing of the population;
- Identify additional high level actions that can be addressed through each Theme between now and April 2018;
- Consider the support and delivery mechanisms that are in place to engage wider partners and identify how their activities support the delivery of the JHWS.

The outcome of the review was approved by the HWB at their meeting in June 2015 and published in the Mid Term Review document shown in Appendix A. This document is an update to the JHWS not a replacement, and therefore should be read in conjunction with the original JHWS which is available on the County Council's website.

HWB Assurance Framework

Appendix B provides details of the HWB's Assurance Framework 2015/16. The framework sets out how the HWB will review and assess the impact of the JHWS, thereby providing assurance that progress is being made to improve health and wellbeing in Lincolnshire. It also includes a mechanism for reviewing the Board's governance arrangements to ensure it continues to meet its statutory duties, as well as benchmarking the maturity of the HWB against a model of an exemplar HWB developed by the Local Government Association.

The Assurance Framework is based on three levels:

- Level 1 - **Theme Review** reinforces the role of the JHWS Theme Leads and Board Sponsors in supporting the work of HWB by providing guidance, advice and advocacy. Working together and with key stakeholders they are responsible for taking forward the outcomes in the JHWS by providing assurance to the HWB that the priorities remain current and address the needs identified in the JSNA. This will be achieved through quarterly outcome monitoring and raising concerns, by exception, with the HWB that could impact on the delivery of the JHWS.
- Level 2 - **Internal HWB Review** requires the HWB reviews its governance on an annual basis to ensure it has appropriate arrangements in place to meet its statutory duties, and that it is taking appropriate steps towards assuming the role of system leader for health and care in Lincolnshire. This includes undertaking a Self-Assessment exercise using a nationally developed toolkit and an annual review of the JHWS. The Theme Dashboards give a high level summary on each of the themes and provide key information to enable the HWB to measure the impact of the JHWS.

- Level 3 – **External Review** recognises the role HSC has in scrutinising the HWB as set out in the formal protocol agreed between HSC, HWB and Healthwatch Lincolnshire in 2014. In addition, the HWB could choose to undergo a Peer Review as part of the Local Government Association's offer to HWBs.

Scrutiny Arrangements supporting the JWHS

Whilst the HWB is responsible for producing the JHWS and for ensuring local commissioning plans take proper account of both the JSNA and JHWS, the HWB is not responsible for commissioning or performance managing services, this remains the responsibility of the respective commissioning organisation. To understand how the activities and services which support the JHWS are performance managed and to provide assurance that scrutiny arrangements are in place, a mapping exercise has been conducted looking at the wider governance arrangements supporting the JHWS, this is shown in Appendix C. This exercise has assured the HWB that appropriate local authority scrutiny arrangements are in place for the all the JWHS themes. In terms of HSC, there is a clear role in scrutinising the activities supporting Theme 3.

2. Conclusion

The Lincolnshire Health and Wellbeing Board has a statutory duty to develop a Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy based on the priorities identified in the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment. The Strategy sets out the strategic commissioning direction and is used to inform the commissioning plans for the county council, clinical commissioning groups and other key partners in order to improve health and wellbeing outcomes in Lincolnshire. This report provides the Health Scrutiny Committee for Lincolnshire with an overview of the strategy and the arrangements that have been agreed by the Board to assure itself, partners and the Council that progress is being made to deliver the outcomes.

With the agreement of this Committee, the Health and Wellbeing Board would like to present the 2015 Annual Assurance report to the next meeting of this Committee on 18 November 2015.

3. Consultation

The Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy was developed in 2012 following an extensive period of consultation and engagement with partners, stakeholders and the public. Partners and stakeholders were also involved in the Mid Term Review of the JHWS.

4. Appendices

These are listed below and attached at the back of the report	
Appendix A	Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy for Lincolnshire 2013-2018 Mid Term Review.
Appendix B	Lincolnshire Health and Wellbeing Assurance Framework
Appendix C	Scrutiny arrangements

5. Background Papers

The following background papers were used in the preparation of this report:

Document Title	Where the document can be viewed
Statutory Guidance on Joint Strategic Needs Assessments and Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategies (DOH, 2013)	Available on the Department of Health website
Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy for Lincolnshire 2013-2018	Available on the Lincolnshire County Council's website
Joint Strategic Needs Assessment	Available on the Lincolnshire Research Observatory website

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