

LINCOLNSHIRE HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

Open Report on behalf of Martin Wilson, Health and Wellbeing Board Advisor

Report to Lincolnshire Health and Wellbeing Board

Date: 10 June 2014

Subject: Lincolnshire Health and Wellbeing Board Development

Toolkit - Current Position

Summary:

Lincolnshire Health and Wellbeing Board has been in operation for 12 months, the use of this toolkit is an attempt to determine, against certain statements, how mature the Board is in delivering improved outcomes for the population of Lincolnshire and any agreed celebration of activities and action plan for improvements.

Actions Required:

The Board to discuss attached papers.

The Board to agree to the formation of a small Task and Finish Group to help develop an Action Plan and for expressions of interest to be sent to the Health and Wellbeing Advisor.

The Board to agree to the Action Plan being presented as a 'decision' item at September's formal board session.

1. Background

Lincolnshire Health and Wellbeing Board became a formal committee of Lincolnshire County Council on 1st April 2013; it was created as a result of the Health and Social Care Act 2012 and was designed to become the interface for health and social care to improve the health and wellbeing of the population of Lincolnshire. The main two outputs statutorily required from the Board are an evidence base, the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) and a Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy (JHWS). The Board also

has responsibility to assure itself that the commissioning plans for health and social care providers are designed to help deliver the outcomes of the JHWS and also integration of health and social care services align to the strategy.

As part of the Health and Wellbeing System Improvement Programme, the Department of Communities and Local Government has, in conjunction with a number of partners, created a toolkit for Health and Wellbeing Boards. The tool provides an opportunity for the Board to evaluate their position using a maturity model. By using the statements the can consider current practice, benchmark against others and recognise what is working well.

The toolkit is split into six different dimensions

- Vision (14)
- Strategy (14)
- Leadership (19)
- Needs assessment and management of priorities (18)
- Governance, risk sharing and assurance of outcomes (22)
- Information and intelligence (16)

Each of the dimensions has a number of characteristics/statements attributed (figures in brackets above) split across four levels of 'maturity' of development of the Board. They are

- Young
- Established
- Mature
- Exemplar

(see Appendix A for full matrix)

It is in essence a self-assessment toolkit for the Board to judge how it has developed since its inception and areas it should look at to move towards a mature/exemplar Board and develop an action plan.

October 2013 Stocktake

In October 2013 I completed a six month draft stocktake, gathering evidence against the characteristics/statements within the toolkit. Statements which could be fully evidenced were marked as complete. The review found that the Board could fully evidence 17 of the statements and was 46% compliant against being designated as 'young' (see Appendix B).

At this point we had only held two formal meetings and still with limited guidance from central government about what they expected the Board to achieve. The 18 months spent as an informal board before the 1st April did give Lincolnshire a head start in developing the maturity required to improve the health and wellbeing of Lincolnshire residents.

June 2014 draft Stocktake

I have now repeated the stocktake exercise after the Board has been in operation for over 12 months. The Board can now fully evidence 22 of the statements and is 60%

compliant against being designated as 'young' and overall 26% towards becoming 'mature' (see Appendix C). There are also a significant number of statements where the Board can evidence significant progress but not all elements of the statements are yet in place to enable it to be considered as fully met/evidenced. Appendix D provides details of the evidence and shows the current status and direction of travel for those statements yet to be met.

The Board has shown considerable improvement across all areas as organisations become aware of the statutory roles of the Board around compliance with the Health and Wellbeing Strategy outcomes. The members of the Board now have more awareness of their roles and responsibilities in this new committee structure. The Board has looked at and discussed a wide range of topics, and agreed some major funding decisions (Better Care Fund).

Next Steps

The Board is asked to consider the setting up of a small Task and Finish Group to work with the Health and Wellbeing Advisor to develop an Action Plan to be presented as a decision item at the next formal session in September.

2. Conclusion

Lincolnshire Health and Wellbeing Board has made major strides in developing its 'maturity' in developing and improving the Health and Wellbeing for the people of Lincolnshire. The next stage is to develop an action plan for the Board to enable it to progress to 'mature' by June 2015.

3. Consultation

N/A

4. Appendices

These are listed below and attached at the back of the report	
Appendix A	Health and Wellbeing Development Toolkit Matrix
Appendix B	October 2013 Stocktake position
Appendix C	June 2014 Stocktake position
Appendix D	Development toolkit evidence base

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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