

	Health and Wellbeing Board 1st October 2020
Title	Update on Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy developments 2021-2025
Report of	Director of Public Health and Prevention
Wards	All
Status	Public
Urgent	No
Key	Yes
Enclosures	Appendix I: Draft Health and Wellbeing Strategy Appendix II: Summary of JHWS staff workshop findings Appendix III: Draft proposal for Healthwatch Barnet JHWS Community Engagement
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Summary

In July 2020, the HWBB was updated on the progress of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy (JHWS) 2021-2025.

Since then, a series of workshops have taken place to work-up further details underneath each priority and to consider COVID-19 impact on longer-term health and wellbeing of our residents as well as transformation of local health and care services.

HWB Strategy development has been impacted by COVID-19 response however we remain committed to finalise the strategy by March 2021 as it would provide clear strategic direction on the system's intentions to improve local health and wellbeing of our communities.

Appendix I provides emerging draft HWB Strategy with Key Areas 1 and 2 being most developed. Key Area 3 will be incorporating all the work from Integrated Care Partnership.

Appendix II provides a summary of the main findings from stakeholders' discussions that will be incorporated into the Strategy.

Appendix III describes Healthwatch proposed engagement with local residents and their involvement in development of the strategy.

Recommendations

- 1. That the Board review the draft strategy and provide feedback on its emerging content.**
- 2. That authority to approve the draft strategy and begin the consultation period be delegated to Director of Public Health and Prevention (Chief Officer) in consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman.**

1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

- 1.1 Producing a JHWS is a statutory duty of the Health and Wellbeing Board. The current Barnet JHWS is due to expire in March 2021. The Public Health team in collaboration with partners are in the process of producing a new JHWS for 2021 to 2025. A recent staff engagement workshop on the JHWS has supported the development of our key areas for the strategy (Appendix II). This report follows on from the update on the strategy development presented to HWBB on the 23rd July 2020. The next phase of the strategy development programme, if approved by HWB Board, is to prepare a draft strategy and to subsequently consult with the public. It is envisaged to bring near final draft of the HWB Strategy to the HWB Board for approval early in 2021, providing that this process does not get interrupted with COVID-19 emergency response.

2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 Developing a new JHWS is one of our key priorities and a statutory duty even during this unprecedented period of COVID-19 Pandemic. These recommendations give the HWBB oversight of the JHWS development thus far and provide opportunities for the Board to shape this work. Approving delegated sign off will allow the team developing the JHWS to devise a more efficient schedule for development, whilst still having HWBB members (Chair, Vice-Chair and Chief Officer) approve the transition into the consultation phase.
- 2.2 This paper includes the draft strategy document (Appendix I) including key areas and strategic aims for the JHWS.

3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED

- 3.1 Alternative options were not considered due to nature of this work and the strategy development process.

4. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION

- 4.1 Once approved, the Public Health team will work with partners to complete the draft JHWS for wider consultation. The public consultation planned for October to December 2020 will be implemented alongside the engagement from Healthwatch Barnet described in Appendix III. Following consultation and

engagement, a final version of the JHWS will be prepared to be presented to the Board in March 2021 for approval and publication.

5. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION

5.1 Corporate Priorities and Performance

5.1.1 The purpose of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy is to improve the health and wellbeing of the local community and reduce inequalities for all ages. Priorities articulated in the Strategy will link to the refreshed Corporate Plan.

5.2 Resources (Finance & Value for Money, Procurement, Staffing, IT, Property, Sustainability)

5.2.1 In recognition of the financial situation, development of the JHWS will need to be affordable and funded within the existing budget and staffing from the PH Grant.

5.3 Social Value

5.3.1 Not applicable

5.4 Legal and Constitutional References

5.4.1 Developing a JHWS is a statutory responsibility of the Health and Wellbeing Board, as set out in the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 (as amended by the Health and Social Care Act 2012).

The requirements of the Equality act 2010, and in particular the Public Sector Equality Duty (PSED) under s149 apply when drafting the JHWS.

The PSED requires that public bodies have due regard to the need to:

- Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Equality Act 2010;
- Advance equality of opportunity between people from different groups; and
- Foster good relations between people from different groups.

5.4.2 Article 7 Committees, Forums, Working Groups and Partnerships of the Council's Constitution sets out the terms of reference of the Health and Wellbeing Board which includes:

- To jointly assess the health and social care needs of the population with NHS commissioners, and apply the findings of a Barnet joint strategic needs assessment (JSNA) to all relevant strategies and policies.
- To promote partnership and, as appropriate, integration, across all necessary areas, including the use of joined-up commissioning plans across the NHS, social care and public health. To explore partnership work across North Central London where appropriate
- To work together to ensure the best fit between available resources to meet the health and social care needs of the population of Barnet (including children), by both improving services for health and social care and helping people to move as close as possible to a state of complete physical, mental and social

wellbeing.

- Specific responsibilities for overseeing public health and developing further health and social care integration

5.5 Risk Management

5.5.1 Due to unpredicted nature of COVID-19 Pandemic, it is possible that the Strategy will not be finalised by March 2021. In order to mitigate those risks, development of the Strategy has started early, and sufficient time has been allocated to develop the Strategy, within limited capacity and resources that may be diverted to respond to the Pandemic.

5.6 Equalities and Diversity

5.6.1 A whole systems approach to prevention and health and care integration focus on health inequalities which persist amongst groups with protected characteristics. By consulting and engaging with appropriate communities and stakeholders, it is expected that a whole systems approach to prevention will prevent unintended harms against marginalised groups and promote health equity. As COVID-19 pandemic has shone a further light on disproportionality of the health outcomes amongst various groups, reviewed Health and Wellbeing Strategy process will include an engagement with diverse communities with a particular focus on Black and Asian Minority Ethnic Groups.

5.7 Corporate Parenting

5.7.1 Whilst there is no direct impact on the council's corporate parenting role as a result of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy development, the objectives set out in the strategy do provide opportunities to support the council's role as corporate parent through the health and wellbeing improvement interventions for children and young people residing in the borough.

5.8 Consultation and Engagement

5.8.1 Once the draft strategy has been approved, a six-week consultation period will take place. Within this period residents and stakeholders will be asked to complete an online survey to provide feedback on the JHWS that will be then reflected in the final version.

5.8.2 In addition to the consultation, Public Health will commission Healthwatch Barnet to provide focused engagement with residents/service users on their health and wellbeing. This project will be linked to determining the impact of COVID-19 and residents' views on health and wellbeing services in Barnet. The draft proposal for this project is included as Appendix III.

5.9 Insight

5.9.1 Not applicable.

6. BACKGROUND PAPERS

6.1 Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2021–2025 development: update – Available at:

<https://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s59521/JHWS%202021%20-%202025%20development.pdf>