

Barnet Children's Partnership Board Report

Title: Draft Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2021-25

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1. Summary

- 1.1 This report provides an update to the Board on the draft Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2021- 25 which is currently out for consultation. The consultation closes on 12 March 2021 is available here [Draft Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2021-2025 | Engage Barnet](#).
- 1.2 The purpose of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy (JHWS) is to improve the health and wellbeing of the local community and reduce inequalities for all ages and is a statutory requirement of the Health and Wellbeing Board (HWBB). With the current strategy extended to March 2021, the Public Health team in collaboration with partners are producing a new strategy for 2021 to 2025.
- 1.3 The Barnet Draft Joint and Wellbeing Strategy 2021-25 is our system-wide vision for improving the health and wellbeing of the people who live, study and work in Barnet. Over the next four years, the HWBB will focus on three Key Areas to drive integrated improvements to health and wellbeing in the borough. These Key Areas are:
1. Creating a healthier place and resilient communities
 2. Starting, living and ageing well
 3. Ensuring delivery of coordinated holistic care, when we need it
- 1.4 This report aims to give the Board an overview of the JHWS development thus far and provide opportunities for the Board to shape this work specifically to the needs of children and young people.
- 1.5 Priorities articulated in the Strategy will link to the refreshed Corporate Plan, Barnet 2024.

2. Updates Since last BCPB

- 2.1 The draft JHWS has been presented to the Health and Wellbeing Board on 14 January 2021 and is now available for public consultation.

3. Impact

- **Equalities and Diversity**

The purpose of the JHWS is to improve the health and wellbeing of the local community and reduce inequalities for all ages. The strategy sets out a whole systems approach to prevention and health and care integration with a focus on health inequalities across the life course. COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted the disproportionality of the health outcomes amongst various groups including minoritised communities, children and families and this is reflected in the priorities within the draft strategy.

- **Corporate Parenting**

Whilst there is no direct impact on the Council's corporate parenting role as a result of the JHWS development, the strategy creates 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.

4. Consultation and Engagement

- 4.1 A six-week consultation period is now taking 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.
- 4.2 The Council engaged with residents via a Coronavirus Residents' Survey which was open from 19th October until the 6th December 2020. The purpose of this survey was to understand the impact of coronavirus on local people and any current and future needs that may arise so we can plan accordingly. The findings are to be reported at a later date.
- 4.3 Healthwatch Barnet have been commissioned to provide focused engagement with residents on their health and wellbeing. This project is linked to determining the impact of COVID-19 and residents' views on health and wellbeing, including focused work on minoritised communities.
- 4.4 Focussed engagement with young people is being encouraged through collaboration with Youth organisations and networks and engagement with the Youth Board.

5. Conclusion and Recommendations

- 5.1 That the Board consider the draft strategy and provide feedback. Detailed feedback can be sent directly to HealthandWellbeingStrategy@barnet.gov.uk by the 08 March 2021

6. Background papers

The consultation is available here [Draft Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2021-2025 | Engage Barnet](#).