

	<b>Health and Wellbeing Board</b>  <b>8 April 2021</b>
<b>Title</b>	<b>Final Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2021-25</b>
<b>Report of</b>	Director of Public Health and Prevention
<b>Wards</b>	All
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<b>Urgent</b>	No
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<b>Enclosures</b>	Appendix I: Final Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2021-25
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<b>Summary</b>	
<p>This report provides the final update on the development of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy (JHWS) 2021-25. Since the last update to the board in January 2021, progress has been made to finalise the Strategy and, prior to its intended implementation, the final version of the draft strategy is presented to the board for their approval.</p> <p>Appendix I provides the final strategy document with the plan for its implementation.</p>	

<b>Recommendations</b>
<b>1. That the Health and Wellbeing Board approve the final version of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2021-25 for implementation.</b>

## 1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

- 1.1 Producing a JHWS is a statutory duty of the Health and Wellbeing Board. With the current strategy extended to March 2021, the Public Health Directorate in collaboration with partners are producing a new strategy for 2021 to 2025.

## 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. Health and Wellbeing Board oversees and approves the Strategy for the borough. Following on from previous updates to the board, these recommendations provide the board the opportunity to review the final draft of the strategy and approve the transition from the development phase of the strategy process to the implementation phase.

### **3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED**

- 3.1 Alternative options were not considered.

### **4. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION**

- 4.1 Upon approval of the strategy, the document will be sent for design. This designed version will be published and disseminated widely. Implementation Plan will be supported by a set of outcomes, aimed at tracking the progress. Regular updates to the board on the progress of the strategy implementation will be made by the Director of Public Health and Prevention, in collaboration with local partners.

### **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, Barnet 2024.

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

- 5.2.1 Development of the JHWS will need to be affordable and funded within the existing budget and staffing from the (non-Covid-19) PH Grant and wider system.

#### **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 April 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, Asian and 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 Public consultation on the draft strategy was conducted for six weeks from 29<sup>th</sup> January 2021 to 12<sup>th</sup> March 2021. This was done via an online questionnaire

which received 71 responses. A consultation report containing the findings of this engagement will be produced in the near future. Once completed the report will be presented to the Health and Wellbeing Board.

5.8.2 In addition to the public consultation, internal and partner stakeholders were engaged on the contents of the draft strategy and provided feedback on its contents.

5.9 **Insight**

5.9.1 Not applicable

**6. BACKGROUND PAPERS**

6.1 Draft Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2021-25 (January 2021 update)  
Available at:

<https://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s62735/Draft%20JHWS%20board%20paper%20January%202021.pdf>