

Herefordshire Health & Wellbeing Board

Presentation for Health Overview & Scrutiny

14 February 2014



Background context

- Health and Wellbeing Boards came into formal operation on April 1st 2013
- They:
 - Bring together key leaders from the health and care system
 - Enable members to collaborate to understand community needs, agree priorities and encourage commissioners to work in a joined up way



Accountabilities

- Joint Strategic Needs Assessment
- 'system leadership' – not just about clinical services
- Improving health outcomes
- Reducing health inequalities
- Democratically accountable
- Residents should experience a more joined-up approach and better value for tax-payers money



Key work completed during 13/14

- Moving from shadow board to full board April 2013
- Undertaking and publishing Joint Strategic Needs Assessment
- Confirming the vision and guiding principals of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy
- Aligning the priorities, plans and commissioning intentions of the new health bodies with those of the council



Key work completed during 13/14

- Resources:
 - Agreed the plan for the transfer of c£3m from health to social care (s256 monies) 2013/14
 - Overseeing the development of the plans for the Better Care Fund 2014/15 (sign off 14th Feb)
 - Submitted bids for NESTA and national integration Pioneer bid
- Approved autism strategy
- Ensured oversight of quality and safeguarding- Francis/children's/adults
- Overseeing Next Stage Integration programme



Successes

- Navigating the fundamental changes in the health system
- Creating a cohesive board which has membership far beyond the statutory requirements
- Producing JSNA
- Ensuring that attention is paid to the day to day reality of services and experiences through 'Spotlight on Delivery' sessions
- Moving beyond talk to action – e.g. dementia friendly communities work; alcohol action



Challenges

- Complexity of the health and care system
- The financial environment for all parts of the health and care system
- Long-standing complex challenges
- Public engagement/making it real



Key work for 2014/15

- Four priorities
 - Staying healthy
 - Community and volunteers
 - Integrated working
 - Think Family
- Underpinned by national legislation
 - Care and Support Bill
 - Children and Families Bill



Key areas of risk

- The financial environment
 - Reduced or static resources
 - Payment by results- Better Care Fund
- Inability to change expectations and behaviour
- Speed of transformational change required
- Quality and impact



Future scrutiny work?

- The Better Care Fund – submission and operation?
- Autism strategy?
- The approach to Troubled Families?

