

Meeting:	Health & Wellbeing Board
Meeting date:	25 March 2015
Title of report:	Commissioning Intentions 2015-16
Report by:	Assistant Director, Housing and Community Wellbeing

Wards Affected

Countywide

Purpose

To highlight in brief commissioning intentions and programmes that promote the health and wellbeing of the population of Herefordshire. The in brief nature recognises the breath of programmes across Children's Wellbeing, Adults Wellbeing and the Clinical Commissioning Groups work plans, to assure health and wellbeing and progress allied to inequalities of outcomes for the residents of the County.

Recommendation(s)

THAT:

- (a) The Board note the broad and specific commissioning intentions.**
- (b) To note those areas of commonality and synergy to support increasing opportunities for co-commissioning; and**
- (c) The development of capability to support commissioning intentions that are evidenced based and demonstrate better outcomes for people.**

Alternative options

1. The proposed commissioning intentions are informed by a clear understanding of local and national policy intentions, intelligence derived from the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment, the current state of play allied to commissioned and contracted services and the market for care and support in Herefordshire and the need to make best use of available resources. Therefore the proposed programmes will seek to enhance outcomes and promote choice and control for those requiring care and support.

Reasons for recommendation

2. Commissioning is at the heart of everything that we do in terms of promoting choice and control and making the best use of available resources. As such the list of commissioning intentions will support our Transformation Programmes and the

redesign of services to assure better outcomes. Implicit within our approach is the importance of working together to seize opportunities to do things differently so that we can provide comprehensive, complementary services and where appropriate integration of function to ensure best value in resources that are available.

Key considerations

3. Good commissioning is:

- **Person-centred and focused upon outcomes** – Good commissioning is person-centred and focused upon outcomes that people say matter most to them. It empowers people to have choice and control in their lives and over their care and support.
- **Promote health and wellbeing for all** – Good commissioning promotes health and wellbeing, including physical, mental, emotional, social and economic wellbeing. This covers promoting protective factors and maximising people's capabilities and support within their communities, commissioning services to promote health wellbeing, preventing, delaying or reducing the need for services and protecting people from neglect and abuse.
- **Delivers social value** – Good commissioning provides value for the whole community not just the individual and their carers, the commissioner or the provider.
- **Demonstrates a whole systems approach** – Good commissioning convenes and leads a whole systems approach to ensure the best use of resources in a local area through joint approaches between the public, voluntary and private sectors.
- **Well led and uses evidence about what works** – Good commissioning is led by key representatives from all sections of our local community and underpinned by principles of co-production, personalisation, integration and the promotion of wellbeing. Good commissioning draws upon evidence as to what works well and utilises a wide range of information to promote quality outcomes for people, their carers and communities, and to support innovation.
- **Provides value for money** – Good commissioning provides value for money by identifying solutions that ensure a good balance of quality and cost to make the best use of resources and achieve the most positive outcomes for people and their communities.
- **Develops the commissioning and provider workforce** – Good commissioning is undertaken by competent and effective commissioners and facilitates the development of an effective, sufficient, trained and motivated health and social care workforce. It is concerned with sustainability, including the financial viability of providers and the coordination of health and social care workforce planning.

4. The commissioning intentions are ambitious and will seek to respond positively to the range of complexities confronting Children's Wellbeing, Adult Wellbeing and the Health Economy, against the continuing financial backdrop of constrained financial resources. The areas identified include, but not exhaustive in nature:

- NHS and Social Care Nursing Care Provider Framework.
- Mental Health and Wellbeing Pathway and Commissioning Plan.
- Learning Disability Pathway and Commissioning Plan.

- Sexual Health Pathway.
 - Drug and Alcohol Pathway.
 - Obesity and Physical Activity/Behaviour Change Commissioning Plan.
 - Older Peoples Day Opportunities Commissioning Plan.
 - Information, Advice and Signposting Service.
 - Intermediate Care Commissioning Plan.
 - Children's Health Pathway and Commissioning Plan.
 - Children and Young Peoples Plan.
 - Integrated Pathway moving from Pre-birth to transition into Adulthood.
 - Commissioning of Post 19 opportunities, supporting young people into local education and training.
 - Commissioning Direct Services for children and families, including respite and fostering to support children with disabilities, rather than residential care.
 - Housing Prevention Strategy.
 - Housing and Affordable Homes Strategy.
 - Older Peoples and Specialist Housing Need Pathway and Commissioning Plan.
 - Carers Strategy Refresh.
 - The redesign of community health services and the development of an adult social care operating framework.
 - BCF Commissioning to support the BCF Plan.
5. As indicated this is not an exhaustive list of commissioning intentions and activities and will seek to support the Health and Well Being Board to promote better outcomes for the people of Herefordshire. The above commissioning intentions will give meaning to the Health and Wellbeing Strategy now moving to a conclusion and readiness for implementation.

Community impact

6. The Understanding Herefordshire 2014 and local needs assessments will provide an evidence base to support the commissioning intentions. We will strive to ensure that our approaches are comprehensive and complementary and seize those opportunities for co-commissioning to ensure that we maximise working together.

Equality duty

7. An equality impact assessment will be undertaken for each commissioning work stream and activity to identify problems, or missed opportunities and adjust policy to remove barriers or better promote equality.

Financial Implications

8. Commissioning Intentions will be founded upon robust financial planning to ensure the best use of available resources.

Legal implications

9. Commissioning Intentions will be founded upon rigorous legal conditions to ensure solid governance of activity and procurements.

Risk management

10. Risk will be managed and controlled through the development of robust evidenced commissioning plans that have recourse to the governance infrastructures of the local authority and clinical commissioning group.

Consultees

11. Engagement strategies will accompany the development of commissioning intentions to support implementation. As indicated earlier our approach will embed co-production and personalisation.

Appendices

None

Background papers

None