

DECISION MAKER:	HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD
DECISION DATE:	17 JUNE 2015
TITLE OF REPORT:	APPROVAL OF THE HEREFORDSHIRE HEALTH & WELLBEING STRATEGY
REPORT BY:	INTERIM CONSULTANT IN PUBLIC HEALTH

Classification

Open

Key Decision

This is not a key decision.

Wards Affected

County-wide

Purpose

- 1 To approve the Health and Wellbeing Strategy for Herefordshire(Appendix 1) which the Board has a duty to agree and publish setting out ambitious outcomes for improved health and wellbeing across Herefordshire
- 2 The Health & Wellbeing Strategy sets out the vision and the Five Year approach to providing and commissioning the shared priorities for improving the health and wellbeing and reducing health inequalities in the population. It provides an overarching framework for commissioning and service planning across local health, social care and voluntary bodies.

Recommendation

THAT: The Herefordshire Health & Wellbeing Strategy be approved

Alternative options

- 3 There are no Alternative Options as the Health & Wellbeing Board has been established under the provisions set out in the Health & Social Care Act 2012 and is a

key strategic leadership forum that drives ongoing improvements in health and wellbeing across Herefordshire. The Board has a duty to agree and publish a joint health and wellbeing strategy setting out ambitious outcomes for improved health and wellbeing across Herefordshire.

Reasons for recommendations

- 4 The Board has a duty to agree and publish a joint health and wellbeing strategy setting out ambitious outcomes for improved health and wellbeing across Herefordshire.

Key considerations

- 5 It is important that that Members take an active role in the development of the key themes and priorities of the health and wellbeing strategy
- 6 The health and wellbeing strategy will enable partners to collectively focus effort where impact will be greatest on the health and wellbeing of local people
- 7 The priorities have been identified from the data in Understanding Herefordshire (the JSNA) and consultation with key stakeholders and the public consultation has taken place to agree and refine these (Appendix 2)
- 8 Previously members have received progress update reports on the Health and Wellbeing strategy as it has been refreshed.
- 9 The Board has a duty to agree and publish a joint health and wellbeing strategy setting out ambitious outcomes for improved health and wellbeing across Herefordshire
- 10 The Health & Wellbeing Strategy sets out the vision and the Five Year approach to providing and commissioning the shared priorities for improving the health and wellbeing and reducing health inequalities in the population. It provides an overarching framework for commissioning and service planning across local health, social care and voluntary bodies.
- 11 The health and wellbeing strategy will not replace existing strategies and plans but will add value to those already in place

Community impact

Engaging and Consulting on the Priorities – Our Approach

- 12 To engage and involve the public and local expert stakeholders in the development and ranking of priorities in the strategy, we used four approaches:
- 13 A token voting system (whereby people were able to choose three out of the seven priorities identified).
- 14 A public facing website on the council site with the priorities and background.
- 15 Direct feedback taken from key stakeholder groups about the priorities identified with opportunity for addition of groups/foci.

16 Engagement with community development groups, the voluntary sector and vulnerable groups on how to stay healthy, what helps us maintain our health, what prevents us from being healthy and what more can we do to help the wider community maintain good health.

17 The analysis of the above has been used to inform the strategy

Equality and human rights

18 One of the key aims of the H&WB Strategy is to reduce health inequalities and commission and provide services and programmes based on need ensuring that key groups are involved in the consultation and formation of the strategy priorities. This has been the bedrock of the approach in developing this strategy.

19 Evidence has shown that higher levels of social capital are associated with better health, higher educational attainment, better employment and lower crime rates.

20 Actively encouraging and guiding people to live healthier lifestyles and to look after themselves, their families and neighbours, will have the double impact of reducing pressures on services whilst creating social networks of support

Financial implications

21 None for the approval of the strategy

Risk management

21 The Board has a duty to agree and publish a joint health and wellbeing strategy setting out ambitious outcomes for improved health and wellbeing across Herefordshire. A process for the monitoring of progress will need to be agreed by the H&WB Board members

Consultees

Parent Carer Forums
Communities are Us-Community Development Forum
Healthwatch Question time
HVOSS Voluntary Sector Leadership
Older People's Luncheon Club –South Wye
Findings from the Urgent Care Review
Small scale focus groups
Parish Council Newsletter
Leaders Briefing
Early Years Forum
Adult Wellbeing Forum
Kemble Housing Trust
West Mercia Housing Trust
Internal council teams
Leominster Council
Plough Lane Council Offices

Adult Well-Being Management
Children's Well-Being Management
Medical Consultants – Wye Valley Trust
Wye Valley Trust Quality Committee
Local Medical Committee
GP Parliament
Safeguarding Board
Senior Managers- 2Gether Mental Health
Health & Social Care Overview & Scrutiny Committee
Herefordshire Council Consultation website:
<https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/health-and-wellbeing-strategy>

The comments have been incorporated into the strategy

Appendices

Appendix 1 – Health & Wellbeing Priorities

Appendix 2 – Health and Wellbeing Strategy.

Background papers

None