MEETING:	HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
DATE:	22 NOVEMBER 2010
TITLE OF REPORT:	HEREFORDSHIRE 2010 JOINT STRATEGIC NEEDS ASSESSMENT (JSNA)

**CORPORATE STRATEGY AND FINANCE** 

**CLASSIFICATION: Open** 

PORTFOLIO AREA:

**Wards Affected** 

County-wide

#### **Purpose**

To draw the Committee's attention to the following aspects of the 2010 JSNA:

- 1) The new web-based Herefordshire JSNA is a dynamic integrated resource that also draws upon the many information sources and analyses that are available within Herefordshire
- 2) An analysis of the key points and recommendations contained within the JSNA web-site have been produced in a summary document (see Appendix 1)
- 3) The findings of the 2010 JSNA should underpin decisions regarding future plans, strategy development, budget decisions and commissioning of services

## Recommendation(s)

#### **THAT the Committee**

- (a) Recognises the usefulness of the JSNA web-site and the summary document for the local health and social care economy, as a dynamic resource that also draws upon the wide range of local information and analysis undertaken across Herefordshire;
- (b) Notes the Key Points and Recommendations from the 2010 JSNA (Appendix 1);
- (c) Encourages the use of the findings of the JSNA across the local health and social care economy, to inform future plans, strategy development, budget decisions and commissioning of services.

#### **Key Points Summary**

- The JSNA should be used across the local health and social care economy to underpin decisions regarding future plans, strategy development, budget decisions and commissioning of services
- It is the central resource that draws together all the information required to provide an overarching understanding of the needs of the people of Herefordshire - it identifies current needs across the spectrum of well-being, health and social care, as well as considering how those needs are likely to change in the coming years
- The JSNA has been developed into a web-based dynamic resource, that will be updated throughout the year and that also draws upon the breadth and depth of information and analyses undertaken across Herefordshire.

### **Alternative Options**

1 Not applicable.

#### **Reasons for Recommendations**

- The new style JSNA has provided a dynamic resource that also draws upon the breadth and depth of analysis already undertaken across Herefordshire, providing a robust assessment of needs.
- 2 Ensuring that JSNA is used to underpin decisions regarding future plans, strategy development, budget decisions and commissioning of services will ensure that they are based upon robust assessments of need.

# Introduction and Background

- This is the third JSNA for Herefordshire. It has been produced by a cross-Directorate project group from the Council and NHS Herefordshire, in particular from the Research Team, Public Health, Integrated Commissioning and Children and Young People's services.
- The project group have retained responsibility for determining the content of the JSNA, as well as for ensuring the accuracy and data quality of information in the JSNA.
- As described below we have built upon the strengths of previous JSNAs, moving towards an electronic web-based resource. This enables it to be dynamic and 'continuous', and as well as containing analyses undertaken specifically for JSNA can explicitly draw upon other information and analyses undertaken across Herefordshire.

## **Key Considerations**

- As in previous years the 2010 JSNA examines the important things that affects peoples lives, their health, and their well-being. Thus it does include peoples health and social care needs, but these are set within the context of the other things that affect peoples lives
- This year the project group have sought to build upon the strength's of previous JSNAs, by utilising a similar 'chapter heading' structure that focuses on population groups, by recognising the ongoing importance of much of the analyses in previous JSNAs, and by including the annual analyses we undertake specifically for JSNA.

- We have also sought to explicitly draw upon the breadth and depth of other information and analyses already undertaken within Herefordshire, to provide a more efficient approach to JSNA but also to increase it's robustness. This includes unique information resources such as the State of Herefordshire Report, as well as a considerable number of information and analyses undertaken as part of ongoing service planning and development across NHS Herefordshire and the Council.
- To facilitate this approach we have developed JSNA into a web-based resource, able to link seamlessly across other resources, information and analyses. This has enabled us make it more dynamic, with ongoing 'in-year' additions of relevant information and analyses as they become available. It also means that it is readily available to stakeholders, facilitating their ability to utilise it within decision making.
- The ability of the JSNA to improve population health and well-being depends upon it being used across the health and social care sector and by other stakeholders, to underpin decisions regarding future plans, strategy development, budget decisions and commissioning of services

#### **Community Impact**

11. The community impact of the JSNA will depend upon how the findings of JSNA are utilised within strategy development, service planning and commissioning decisions

### **Financial Implications**

12. Not applicable

### Legal Implications

These proposals deliver the relevant statutory duties of NHS Herefordshire and Herefordshire Council

## **Risk Management**

- Risk 1 The findings of the JSNA do not reflect the needs of Herefordshire's population
- Risk 2 The findings of the JSNA are not used across the health and social care economy in decisions regarding future plans, strategy development, budget decisions and commissioning of services
- The proposals in this paper are explicitly designed to mitigate those risks

#### Consultees

- Many of the analyses within the 2010 JSNA have been prepared in consultation with a wide range of partner organisations and interests.
- The 2010 JSNA is being presented and discussed with a wide range of stakeholders, including NHS Herefordshire, Herefordshire Council and Herefordshire Partnership. Their views will be taken into account as the JSNA is updated and taken forward.

### **Appendices**

19. Appendix 1 – Herefordshire Joint Strategic Needs Assessment 2010. Key Points and Recommendations

### **Background Papers**

None identified

The full web-based JSNA resource is available at <a href="www.herefordshire.gov.uk/jsna">www.herefordshire.gov.uk/jsna</a>

It can be obtained in an alternative format or language by contacting the Herefordshire Corporate Policy and Research Team, Herefordshire Council, PO Box 4, Hereford, HR4 0XH.