

Subject:	Joint Strategic Needs Assessment Summary 2013		
Date of Meeting:	11 September 2013		
Report of:	Director of Public Health		
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Ward(s) affected:	All		

FOR GENERAL RELEASE

1. SUMMARY AND POLICY CONTEXT:

- 1.1 From April 2013, local authorities and clinical commissioning groups have equal and explicit obligations to prepare a Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA). This duty to be discharged by the Health and Wellbeing Board. The purpose of this item is to ask the **Board to note the publication of the JSNA summary for 2013**. The plan for the 2013 summary update was approved by the shadow Board in March 2013. The JSNA 2013 has been updated in line with this plan. The easy read summary is being published as part of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 2.1 That the Board notes the 2013 JSNA summary for publication on BHLIS.

3. RELEVANT BACKGROUND INFORMATION/CHRONOLOGY OF KEY EVENTS:

- 3.1 The needs assessment process aims to provide a comprehensive analysis of current & future needs of local people to inform commissioning of services that will improve outcomes & reduce inequalities. To do this needs assessments should gather together local data, evidence from service users & professionals, plus a review of research & best practice. Needs assessments bring these elements together to look at unmet needs, inequalities, & provision of services. They also point those who commission or provide services towards how they can improve outcomes for local people.
- 3.2 The Local Government & Public Involvement in Health Act (2007) placed a duty on local authorities & Primary Care Trusts to work in partnership & produce a JSNA. Under the the Health & Social Care Act 2012, responsibility for preparing the JSNA will be exercised by the Health and Wellbeing Board from April 2013. The guidance signals an enhanced role for JSNAs to support effective commissioning for health, care & public health as well as influencing the wider determinants that influence health & wellbeing, such as housing & education.
- 3.3 There are three elements to the local needs assessment resources available:
- Each year, a JSNA summary, giving an high level overview of Brighton & Hove's population, & its health & wellbeing needs is published. It is intended

to inform the development of strategic planning & identification of local priorities.

- A rolling programme of comprehensive needs assessments. Themes may relate to specific issues e.g. adults with Autistic Spectrum Conditions, or population groups e.g. children & young people. Needs assessments are publically available & include recommendations to inform commissioning.
- BHLIS (www.bhlis.org) is the Strategic Partnership data & information resource for those living & working in Brighton & Hove. It provides local data on the population of the city which underpins needs assessments.

3.4 Since August 2009, a city needs assessment steering group has overseen the programme of needs assessments. In 2011 membership includes the Community & Voluntary Sector Forum (CVSF), Sussex Police & the two universities, in addition to the existing members from the city council, Clinical Commissioning Group & LINKs (now HealthWatch).

3.5 The JSNA summary structure is informed by the NHS, Public Health and Social Care outcomes frameworks & the forthcoming Child Health Outcomes Strategy; The Marmot report, which advocated adopting a “life course approach”; & the 2012 consultation. For the 2012 refresh we have produced a series of summaries grouped under key outcomes. Building on previous years most of the sections will be co-authored by a member of the Public Health team & a relevant lead in Adult Social Care, Children’s Services, the Community & Voluntary Sector, or other statutory partners.

3.6 At the March 2013 meeting, the shadow Board approved the following option for the update:

3.6.1 Option 2: Update the summary and strengthen evidence in the areas identified in the action plan, but do not repeat the assessment of high impact health and wellbeing issues conducted in 2012 or hold a formal consultation. This option involved the following activities to strengthen the evidence in the JSNA:

- Sections reviewed and updated
- Recommendations updated and action from previous year added
- New data from the 2011 Census and the 2012 Health Counts survey incorporated into the summary
- A call for evidence from the community and voluntary sector
- An easy read summary of the JSNA produced
- A review of assets approach to JSNA in other areas

3.7 **The JSNA 2013 has been updated in line with this plan. The easy read summary is being published as part of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy.**

4. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND CONSULTATION

4.1 The consultation report on the 2012 summary was presented as part of the JSNA item at the September 2012 shadow Board.

4.2 It was agreed by the shadow Board in March 2013 that the 2013 summary update had no formal consultation period.

- 4.3 However, a call for evidence from the Community and Voluntary Sector has been undertaken. We asked for evidence on the needs and assets of those who live and access services in the city. This evidence could be qualitative, quantitative or a mixture of both, and ideally should have been evaluated. To help address areas where we had limited evidence, we especially welcomed evidence around equalities groups and voice of the public.
- 4.4 The call for evidence ran from April to May 2013 and included 1:1 sessions being available for organisations to discuss their evidence and how it might be included in the JSNA, with the Head of Public Health Intelligence and a Research and Analysis Specialist.
- 4.5 There were 14 submissions, from 12 organisations, listed below. All but one submission were able to be included in the JSNA, at least in part.
- The Parent Carers Council
 - Friends, Families and Travellers
 - Age UK Brighton & Hove
 - Sussex Beacon
 - mASCot
 - Sussex Interpreting Services
 - Allsorts Youth Project
 - Carers Centre
 - Community Transport Brighton & Hove Ltd
 - Brighton Women's Centre
 - BMEYPP

HealthWatch's role in future needs assessment summaries is to be discussed at the September City Needs Assessment Steering Group, now that the HealthWatch manager is in place.

5. FINANCIAL & OTHER IMPLICATIONS:

Financial Implications:

- 5.1 The resources required to develop the summary were met within the public health budget for 2013/14.

Finance Officer Consulted: Anne Silley *Date: 27/08/13*

Legal Implications:

- 5.2 The statutory duty imposed upon local authorities and clinical commissioning groups to co-operate with one another in preparing a JSNA is set out in section 116 of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007, as amended by the Health and Social Care Act 2012. Under section 196 of the 2012 Act, responsibility for fulfilling the duty imposed by section 116 of the 2007 Act lies with the Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) for the area in question. The terms of reference for the Brighton & Hove HWB include the delegated function of approving and publishing the JSNA for the city.

Lawyer Consulted: Oliver Dixon *Date: 29/08/13*

Equalities Implications:

- 5.3 The City Needs Assessment Steering Group, including equalities leads for BHCC & NHS Brighton & Hove, has strengthened the city needs assessment guidance to include equalities strands. Strategies using the evidence in the needs assessment will require an EIA. The summary identifies local inequalities in terms of equalities groups; geography & socioeconomic status. Each report section has inequalities clearly evidenced. In addition, there are sections which bring together the key needs of each group. The inclusion of Census and Health Counts data in 2013 has strengthened the equalities evidence within the JSNA.

Sustainability Implications:

- 5.4 Sustainability related issues are important determinants of health & wellbeing and these are integrated in the summary. The JSNA will support commissioners to consider sustainability issues. There is a close link between the JSNA and the One Planet Living priorities, and these are informing implementation of this initiative.

Crime & Disorder Implications:

- 5.5 None

Risk and Opportunity Management Implications:

- 5.6 None

Public Health Implications:

- 5.7 The JSNA summary sets out the key health and wellbeing and inequalities issues for the city and so supports commissioners across the city in considering these issues in policy, commissioning & delivering services.

Corporate / Citywide Implications:

- 5.8 This supports the city's duty for the City Council and CCGs to work in partnership and produce a JSNA.

6. EVALUATION OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTION(S):

- 6.1 None

7. REASONS FOR REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS

- 7.1 From April 2013 it is a statutory duty for Local Authorities and CCGs to produce JSNA. It is a core function of the Health and Wellbeing Board to approve the JSNA process from April 2013.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Appendices:

None

Documents in Members' Rooms

None

Background Documents

1. Department of Health. Statutory Guidance on Joint Strategic Needs Assessments and Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategies. March 2013
https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/223842/Statutory-Guidance-on-Joint-Strategic-Needs-Assessments-and-Joint-Health-and-Wellbeing-Strategies-March-2013.pdf
2. The 2012 JSNA Summary is available at www.bhlis.org//jsna2012

