

JOINT STRATEGIC NEEDS ASSESSMENT (JSNA) PHASE 4 SUMMARY REPORT

To: **Cabinet**

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Electoral division(s): **All**

Forward Plan ref: **Not applicable** *Key decision:* **No**

Purpose: **The purpose of this report is to present the draft Joint Strategic Needs Assessment Phase 4 to Cabinet.**

Recommendation: **Cabinet is asked to agree to the use of the joint Strategic Needs Assessment Phase 4 as an information source for strategy development and service planning on health, care and wellbeing issues.**

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1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1 In Cambridgeshire, officers have so far carried out four phases of Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA), working in partnership across the National Health Service (NHS) and Local Authorities to gather the relevant information.
- 1.2 In phase 1 a public health and health inequalities dataset was produced, which included the data recommended in national JSNA guidance. We also produced six JSNAs, which focussed on different groups within the population. These were:
- Children and Young People.
 - Adults of Working Age.
 - Adults with mental health problems.
 - Adults with learning disabilities.
 - Adults with sensory or physical impairment and long term conditions.
 - Older People.
- 1.3 In phase 2, we undertook a review of existing surveys and consultation with service users, carers and the public, to provide qualitative information on local health needs.
- 1.4 In phase 3 we produced two further JSNAs, which looked at the needs of groups at particular risk of social exclusion within Cambridgeshire – people who are homeless or at risk of homelessness; and migrant workers.

2. MAIN ISSUES

- 2.1 This Phase 4 has included the following new work:

Refresh of:

- Children and Young People's JSNA
- Older People's JSNA
- Adult mental health JSNA

New JSNAs for

- Travellers
- New communities

These five JSNA reports have been summarised in the JSNA Phase 4 Summary Report.

The Summary JSNA has always had a strong focus on health and wellbeing needs and inequalities for communities in Cambridgeshire, and has helped all organisations involved to gain a shared understanding of inequalities in outcomes across the county. A new common theme in this year's JSNA summary is the importance of social networks and social inclusion – and the role that communities can play in supporting people's health and wellbeing. Housing and accommodation also emerged as an issue for several population groups.

One aspect of a JSNA is to focus on the evidence showing which interventions for improving health and wellbeing outcomes are most likely to work. There is a particularly strong section in the new Older People's JSNA on the evidence base for preventive interventions for older people – which highlights the need to evaluate what we do.

The consultation draft of the Cambridgeshire Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment has utilised the JSNA to provide key information on health needs and outcomes. The consultation draft can be located on the NHS Cambridgeshire website (<http://www.cambridgeshire.nhs.uk/>)

Good progress has been made against the recommendations in last year's JSNA which related to migrant workers and to homeless people and those at risk of homelessness. This year, each new JSNA contains a small number of recommendations, which have been developed on the basis of the information and evidence in the JSNA, and discussed through the multi-agency steering group. These recommendations aim to be pragmatic and to recognise current resource constraints on the public sector.

Over this year we have recognised the need to communicate the findings of the JSNA more widely and to make it accessible to everybody. We will therefore be launching a new website later this year which will enable users to quickly move to the information they are interested in.

3. SIGNIFICANT IMPLICATIONS

3.1 Resources and Performance

This JSNA Phase 4 takes national guidance into account, and addresses risks of out of date or poor quality information through a process of updating and quality control.

3.2 Statutory Requirements and Partnership Working

JSNA is part of the statutory duty for top tier local authorities and Primary Care Trusts to co-operate under the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act. It involves strong partnership working across organisations.

3.3 Climate Change

There are no significant climate change implications from this report.

3.4 Access and Inclusion

The JSNA clarifies information on the health and wellbeing needs of groups at risk of social exclusion and supports the Council in addressing equality and diversity issues for Cambridgeshire residents.

3.5 Engagement and Consultation

Work on the JSNA is carried out with a high degree of engagement from various stakeholders. The Community Wellbeing Thematic Partnership oversees the JSNA process.

Some significant changes in the way that NHS services are commissioned have been outlined in 'Equity and Excellence: Liberating the NHS', the recent NHS White Paper. The majority of NHS funding and commissioning will become the responsibility of groups of GP practice commissioners. In the next phase of the Cambridgeshire JSNA (Phase 5) we will be consulting with GP commissioners to understand how they can best become involved in JSNA, and how the JSNA can be structured to meet their information requirements as new NHS commissioners, as well as those of Local Authorities and other local organisations. This should ensure that the benefits of having a mutual understanding of health and wellbeing needs across organisations through work on the JSNA, continues into the future.

Source Documents	Location
JSNA Phase 4 Summary Report	<p>Wendy Quarry Research Group Shire Hall Cambridge.</p> <p>Once approved, the report will be available on the NHS Cambridgeshire website (http://www.cambridgeshire.nhs.uk/)</p>