

Manchester Health and Wellbeing Board Report for Information

Report to: Manchester Health and Wellbeing Board – 20 September 2023

Subject: Joint Local Health and Wellbeing Strategies (JLHWS)

Report of: Director of Public Health

Summary

In November 2022, the Department of Health and Social Care confirmed that local Health and Wellbeing Boards will continue to be responsible for assessing the health and wellbeing needs of their local population through the publication of a Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) and a Joint Local Health and Wellbeing Strategy (JLHWS). This report focuses specifically on the statutory guidance and the November 2022 update and what it means for Manchester.

Recommendations

The Health and Wellbeing Board is asked to:

- 1) Note the report and its statutory duties and powers in relation to the Joint Local Health and Wellbeing Strategy
- 2) Agree to delegate the co-ordination of the approach to comply the statutory duty to the Director of Public Health and the Deputy Place Based Lead

Our Manchester Outcomes Framework

Manchester Strategy outcomes	Summary of how this report aligns to the OMS/Contribution to the Strategy
A thriving and sustainable city: supporting a diverse and distinctive economy that creates jobs and opportunities	All of the recently published strategic health and wellbeing plans, such as the Manchester Population Health Plan and the Making Manchester Fairer Plan, provide detailed information on how a strong partnership approach will contribute to all of the Our Manchester Strategy outcomes and specifically, a progressive and equitable city
A highly skilled city: world class and home grown talent sustaining the city's economic success	
A progressive and equitable city: making a positive contribution by unlocking the potential of our communities	
A liveable and low carbon city: a destination of choice to live, visit, work	
A connected city: world class infrastructure and connectivity to drive growth	

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Background documents (available for public inspection):

The following documents disclose important facts on which the report is based and have been relied upon in preparing the report. Copies of the background documents are available up to 4 years after the date of the meeting. If you would like a copy please contact one of the contact officers above.

1.0 Background

- 1.1 Health and Wellbeing Boards were established in 2013 and are a key mechanism for driving joined up working at a local level. The Health and Care Act 2022 introduced new architecture to the health and care system, specifically the establishment of integrated care boards (ICBs) and integrated care partnerships (ICPs).
- 1.2 Guidance on [Health and Wellbeing Boards](#) published by the Department of Health and Social Care on 22 November 2022 confirmed that the Manchester Health and Wellbeing Board will continue to be responsible for the JSNA and a Joint Local Health and Wellbeing Strategy.

2.0 Duties and powers of Boards in relation to the Joint Local Health and Wellbeing Strategy

- 2.1 Statutory [guidance on Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategies](#) was published by the Department of Health and Social Care in March 2013. The Health and Care Act 2022 amended section 116A of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007, renaming Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategies to Joint Local Health and Wellbeing Strategies (JLHWS) but, apart from this change of name, the statutory guidance on JLHWSs currently remains unchanged.
- 2.2 Health and Wellbeing Boards are responsible for publishing a JLHWS which sets out the vision, priorities and actions agreed by the Health and Wellbeing Board to improve the health, care and wellbeing of local communities and reduce health inequalities across a local authority footprint. The responsibility for the production of a JLHWS falls on the Health and Wellbeing Board as a whole and so success will depend upon all members working together throughout the process. JLHWS are unique to each local area and there is no mandated standard format or update schedule.
- 2.3 The JLHWS should translate the findings from the JSNA into clear outcomes the Health and Wellbeing Board wants to achieve which, in turn, will inform local commissioning activities and lead to the development of locally led initiatives that meet those outcomes and address the need. The JLHWS should also directly inform the development of joint commissioning arrangements (set out in section 75 of the National Health Service Act 2006) in the place and the co-ordination of NHS and local authority commissioning, including Better Care Fund (BCF) plans.
- 2.4 The JLHWS must be published and made available to the local community. It should also provide clear measures of progress to hold the Health and Wellbeing Board to account over time. The JLHWS should show what evidence has been considered and what priorities have been agreed and why. It should include a summary of community views and how those views have been taken into account.

- 2.5 Each Health and Wellbeing Board also has a separate statutory duty to develop a Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) for their area. A PNA cannot be subsumed as part of the JLHWS but can be annexed to it.

JLHWS and integrated care strategies

- 2.6 The integrated care strategy should build on and complement the JLHWS, identifying where needs could be better addressed at the system level. It should also bring together learning from across the system to drive improvement and innovation.
- 2.7 A Health and Wellbeing Board needs to consider the integrated care strategy when preparing its own JLHWS to ensure that they are complementary. A Health and Wellbeing Board should be an active participant in the development of the integrated care strategy as this may also be useful for HWBs to consider in the construction of their JLHWS. When the Health and Wellbeing Board receives an integrated care strategy from the ICP, it does not need to refresh the JLHWS if it considers that the existing JLHWS is sufficient.

3.0 The Manchester JLHWS

- 3.1 The Manchester Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy was first agreed by the Health and Wellbeing Board in 2013 and was subsequently [refreshed in March 2016](#). The priorities in the refreshed Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy (JHWS) were substantively the same as those set out in the original strategy but were updated to align the strategy with the development of the Locality Plan and the Greater Manchester health and social care devolution arrangements. The revised priorities were;

- Getting the youngest people in our communities off to the best start
- Improving people's mental health and wellbeing
- Bringing people into employment and ensuring good work for all
- Enabling people to keep well and live independently as they grow older
- Turning round the lives of troubled families as part of the Confident and Achieving Manchester programme
- One health and care system – right care, right place, right time
- Self-care

- 3.2 The Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy has not been refreshed further since 2016. The 2016 refresh of the JHWS was published on the then Manchester Partnership website but this website is no longer live.
- 3.3 Following discussions with partners, there is a consensus now that the 2016 version of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy is no longer the overarching Health and Wellbeing Strategy for the city, however, since that date a number of key strategies have been published and formally endorsed by the Health and Wellbeing Board. These are the Manchester Population Health Plan 2018-2027, Our Healthier Manchester (2021) and more recently the Making Manchester Fairer (MMF) Plan in 2022.

- 3.4 Furthermore, the Greater Manchester ICP published in April 2023 the Greater Manchester Integrated Care System Strategy 2023-2028 which now provides the overarching framework for all ten Health and Wellbeing Boards in Greater Manchester. In addition to this strategy, national guidance required each Integrated Care Board to publish a five year Joint Forward Plan (JFP) setting out how they propose to exercise their functions. The JFP is attached as Appendix 1.
- 3.5 In the Manchester Locality, the Manchester Partnership Board (MPB) has agreed its priorities for 2023-2026 and has produced a delivery plan setting out how actions to address these priorities will be delivered. This is attached as Appendix 2.
- 3.6 The establishment of the Greater Manchester Integrated Care Board and the agreed interface with the Manchester Partnership Board provides an opportunity for the Health and Wellbeing Board to agree a process for what constitutes a Joint Local Health and Wellbeing Strategy that can ensure the Board complies with its statutory duties. It is envisaged that there will not be a need to write another new strategy but the Our Healthier Manchester Strategy which was refreshed in 2021 alongside Making Manchester Fairer will be sufficient to constitute the Joint Local Health and Wellbeing Strategy. The Our Healthier Manchester Strategy will reflect both the Greater Manchester Strategy and the five year forward view.
- 3.7 It is proposed that the Board agrees to delegate the lead role for the co-ordination of this approach to the Director of Public Health in partnership with the Deputy Place Based Lead.

4.0 Recommendations

- 4.1 The Health and Wellbeing Board is asked to:
- 1) Note the report and its statutory duties and powers in relation to the Joint Local Health and Wellbeing Strategy
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