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To: The Chair and Members of the Health and Wellbeing Board

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HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

Thursday, 19th October, 2023

A meeting of the Health and Wellbeing Board is to be held on the above date at 2.15pm at Committee Suite (Daw Room), County Hall, Exeter to consider the following matters.

Donna Manson Chief Executive

AGENDA

PART I - OPEN COMMITTEE

- 1 Apologies for Absence
- 2 <u>Minutes</u> (Pages 1 6)

Minutes of the meeting held on 20 July 2023, attached.

3 Items Requiring Urgent Attention

Items which in the opinion of the Chair should be considered at the meeting as matters of urgency.

4 <u>Devon Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy: Priorities and Outcomes Monitoring</u> (Pages 7 - 10)

Report of the Director of Public Health, Communities and Prosperity, which reviews progress against the overarching priorities identified in the <u>Joint Health</u> and <u>Wellbeing Strategy for Devon 2020-2025</u>.

5 <u>NHS Devon Update</u> (Pages 11 - 14)

Update report from NHS Devon, attached.

6 <u>Smokefree Devon Alliance Strategy 2023-2028</u> (Pages 15 - 18)

Report of the Director of Public Health, Communities & Prosperity (CX/PH23/01), attached.

7 Dates of Future Meetings

Future meeting dates are included in the Council's Meetings Calendar.

Next meeting: 11 January 2024

PART II - ITEMS WHICH MAY BE TAKEN IN THE ABSENCE OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

None

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Agenda Item 2 1 HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD 20/07/23

HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

20 July 2023

Present:-

Councillors J McInnes (Chair), R Croad, F Letch MBE and A Saywell

S Brown, Director of Public Health T Forster, Director of Integrated Adult Social Care S Lewis, Joint Engagement Forum

Apologies:-

Councillor A Leadbetter

* 109 <u>Minutes</u>

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 13 April 2023 be signed as a correct record.

* 110 Items Requiring Urgent Attention

There were no items requiring urgent attention.

* 111 <u>Better Care Fund Update</u>

(Mr D Watts and Councillor S Woolley from the LGA Peer Challenge Team were in attendance for this item.)

The Board considered the Report of the Head of Integrated Adult Social Care Commission (Interim) on the Better Care Fund outturn for 2022/23 and the plans for 2023/25 in accordance with national planning requirements.

The Better Care Fund (BCF) was the mandatory policy to facilitate integration between Health and Social Care, providing a framework for joint planning and commissioning. The BCF brought together ring-fenced budgets from NHS allocations, ring-fenced BCF grants from Government, the Disabled Facilities Grant and voluntary contributions from local government budgets, including the Adult Social Care Discharge Fund. This Health and Wellbeing Board had oversight of the BCF and was accountable for its delivery.

The Report also proposed that a 'BCF masterclass' be provided to the Board to provide a more detailed insight into how the BCF made a key contribution to the health and social care challenges in Devon.

The Board noted that due to timescales the Report had already been signed off by the Chair and submitted to the national team. Going forward, it was



hoped to have dates aligned to enable debate at the Board prior to submission.

The Board questions and discussion points included:

- Councillor Letch requested a breakdown by Districts of the Disabled Facilities Grant, which the Head of Service agreed to share.
- An underspend was not anticipated this year as the budget would be under pressure and monitored carefully.
- Devon had now reached its 100th international recruit. There were also a lot of out of County providers looking to set up branches in Devon to take advantage of the long-term guaranteed work here, helping to create a vibrant employment market and allowing staff to come back in for Reablement.

It was **MOVED** by Councillor McInnes, **SECONDED** by Councillor Croad and

RESOLVED

- (a) that the outturn of the BCF in 2022/23 be noted;
- (b) that the plans for 2023/25 be endorsed
- (c) that the Board receives a 'BCF masterclass' at a future meeting.

* 112 <u>Devon Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy: Priorities and Outcomes</u> <u>Monitoring</u>

The Board considered a Report from the Director of Public Health, on the performance for the Board, which monitored the priorities identified in the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy for Devon 2020-25.

The indicator list and performance summary within the full report set out the priorities, indicators and indicator types, and included a trend line, highlighting change over time.

The latest Health and Wellbeing Outcomes Report was available on the <u>Devon Health and Wellbeing website</u>.

The Report monitored the four Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2020-25 priorities, and included breakdowns by local authority, district and trends over time. These priorities areas included:

- Create opportunities for all
- Healthy safe, strong and sustainable communities
- Focus on mental health
- Maintain good health for all

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Fifteen indicators had been updated since the last report to the Board, as detailed within the Report.

The Board discussion included:

- As to the Re-ablement Services (Effectiveness), 2021/22 indicator, which was statistically worse than the England average, it was noted that having more sufficiency in the market now would help improve targets and use the service for the purpose intended.

The Committee was happy to note the Report.

* 113 Climate Change and Air Quality

The Board considered the Report and presentation (attached) of the Director of Public Health, Communities and Prosperity, which shared an overview of the system-wide climate change adaptation and mitigation partnerships and plans and the greener NHS plans; and asked how the Board would like to be sighted on and support this work.

The Report stated that the NHS and Local Authority both had a legal duty to consider climate change when making decisions. However, the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and Health and Wellbeing Strategy had not, to date explicitly included climate change considerations.

Questions and discussion points included:

- Members requested that the Board be invited to the climate change masterclasses that took place.
- Although much work was at a strategic level, there was work taking place with community interest companies to assist vulnerable households by e.g. getting eligible upgrades to homes, particularly in the social rental sector.

It was **MOVED** by Councillor McInnes, **SECONDED** by Councillor Croad and

RESOLVED

(a) that the Board considers the impact of the climate emergency on health and equity through the inclusion of climate and health impacts within the Joint Strategic (JSNA) and any future Devon Health and Wellbeing Strategy.

(b) that a first iteration of a climate and health input to the JSNA comes to the next Health and Wellbeing Board.

(c) that the Board reviews, adopts, promotes action and monitors progress on climate change mitigation and adaptation plans. The key plans are the Devon Carbon Plan, the Devon, Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Climate Adaptation

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Strategy, and the Greener NHS plans. All these plans present opportunities to create a fairer, healthier, more resilient and more prosperous society.

(d) that the Board considers signing the Devon Climate Emergency Declaration.

* 114 Suicide Prevention Update

The Board received the Report of the Director of Public Health, Communities and Prosperity, which provided an update on the Devon Suicide Prevention Strategy and Action Plan, a draft of which was attached to the Report.

The Action Plan adhered to the priorities set by the national strategy (2013) and Officers confirmed that a new national strategy was to be published at the beginning of September 2023, following which the Action Plan would be further updated to include new actions identified and come back to the Board for final endorsement before publication.

Questions and discussion points included:

- That Devon Youth Services and CAMHS were represented on the Suicide Prevention Strategic Implementation Group.
- As well as local data from ONS via the coronial process, data also came (since 2020) from Devon's Real Time Surveillance and from the Police on a weekly basis, which would show any seasonal fluctuations.

* 115 <u>Early Years Health Needs Assessment Update</u>

The Board considered the Report and presentation of the Director of Public Health, Communities and Prosperity, which informed the Board of the focus of the Early Years Partnership Board and provided a summary of the main findings of the Early Years Health Needs Assessment.

The purpose of the Early Years Partnership Board was to ensure that strategy, service development and commissioning activity was approached jointly to deliver the best possible early education, health and wellbeing outcomes for young children and their families in Devon.

Questions and discussion points included:

- NHS Devon stated that their Joint Forward Plan was a live document and would welcome discussions with the Early Years Partnership Board on any refresh, ensuring priority areas were reflected.
- That the Assessment would be of interest to the Children's Scrutiny Committee.

The Board would welcome a progress update in due course.

* 116 <u>NHS Devon Update</u>

The Board received an update from NHS Devon, which provided Devon-wide and national developments within the NHS. It was intended to provide the Board with summary information to ensure Members were kept abreast of important developments affecting the NHS.

The paper updated the Board on the following:

- Industrial Action in July
- Pharmacy Update
- Five Year Joint Forward Plan
- Spring COVID-19 Booster
- Access Treatments for Immune Impaired Patients
- NHS75 5 July 2023
- Learning Disabilities Nurse Training Launched
- Making a complaint about primary care services

Board questions and discussion points included:

- NHS Devon reported they were working closely with Public Health on dental hygiene for the younger age group and how those families could be supported.
- The Integrated Care Board (ICB) was undergoing a restructure following announcement from NHS England that costs to ICBs needed to reduce by 30%. It was hoped the restructuring process would be complete by the end of the financial year.
- The Chair wished to mention the success of the Nightingale Hospital, which was the only one of seven created during the pandemic that had been successfully converted and was improving services to the residents of Devon.

* 117 Dates of Future Meetings

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Next meeting: 19 October 2023

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Health and Wellbeing Outcomes Report, October 2023

Report of the Director of Public Health, Communities & Prosperity

Please note that the following recommendations are subject to consideration and determination by the Committee before taking effect.

1) Recommendation

That the Board be asked to note the update of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy (JHWS) outcomes reporting update and if there are any additional more detailed updates required on specific topics in the JHWS outcomes reporting for the next Board.

2) Background / Introduction

The purpose of this report is to inform the Devon Health and Wellbeing Board of the latest data updates in the Devon Health and Wellbeing Outcomes Report and provide descriptive analysis around how the updated indicators has changed since their last update.

3) Main Body / Proposal

The Devon Health and Wellbeing Outcomes Report monitors intelligence pertaining to the four priorities identified by the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2020-25, broken down by local authority, district, and trends over time. These four priorities are to create opportunities for all; to create healthy, safe, strong, and sustainable communities; to focus on mental health; and maintain good health for all.

This report supplements the full Devon Health and Wellbeing Outcomes Report for **October 2023**, which is available on the Devon Health and Wellbeing website, accessible at: <u>https://www.devonhealthandwellbeing.org.uk/jsna/health-and-wellbeing-outcomes-report/</u>

Three indicators have been updated with new data and are as follows:

• Adult Smoking Prevalence, 2022

The prevalence of adults who smoke in Devon is 11.9%, an increase (worse) of 0.3 percentage points from the last reporting year. This is significantly similar compared to the England average of 12.7%.

No districts are significantly better compared to the England average; most districts are significantly similar; Mid Devon at 25.1% is the only district significantly worse than the

England average.

• Estimated Dementia Diagnosis Rate (65+), 2023

The percentage of persons aged 65 and over with a recorded diagnosis of dementia of those estimated to have dementia in the population in Devon is 58.2%, an increase of 2.6 percentage points from the previous reporting year.

This is significantly similar compared to the England average of 63%. Most districts are significantly lower compared to the England average, with the lowest being South Hams at 44.1%. All other districts are significantly similar. No districts are significantly better.

• Fuel Poverty (low income, low energy efficiency methodology), 2021

Fuel poverty metric based on the "low income, low energy efficiency (LILEE)" methodology. The percentage of households considered to be fuel poor in Devon is 13.0%, an increase (worse) of 1.2 percentage points from the previous year.

Statistical significance could not be calculated as quintiles have not been determined.

4) Options / Alternatives

Nil

5) Consultations / Representations / Technical Data

Nil

6) Strategic Plan

The JHWS priorities align to the Devon County Council Plan 2021 – 2025: <u>https://www.devon.gov.uk/strategic-plan/</u>. The JHWS outcomes reporting is a regular quarterly item where the board notes progress on the strategic outcome indicators.

7) Financial Considerations

Nil

8) Legal Considerations

Nil

9) Environmental Impact Considerations (Including Climate Change, Sustainability and Socio-economic)

Nil

10) Equality Considerations

There are no specific equality considerations. This report is an update to the Health and Wellbeing Board on JHWS outcome measures identified in the JHWS Strategy. Public Health Intelligence monitors population health and inequalities across Devon, and further detailed information can be found in the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment resources on the Health and Wellbeing Board Website.

11) Risk Management Considerations

Nil

12) Summary / Conclusions / Reasons for Recommendations

Nil

Steve Brown

Director of Public Health, Communities & Prosperity

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Update from NHS Devon October 2023

Covid and Flu Vaccination Programme

As of 8 October, over 25% of the eligible population in Devon have been vaccinated. 130,354 Covid vaccinations and 183,661 flu vaccinations have been given to date. Currently over 30% of flu and Covid vaccinations are being administered during the same appointment.

Over 75% of care home residents in Devon have had their Covid jab – making Devon the highest performing county in England for care home vaccinations. This is a major achievement and providing protection to some of our most vulnerable patients.

Last winter saw NHS staff treating significant numbers of patients in hospital with respiratory illnesses such as flu and Covid-19. We are encouraging people to come forward for their vaccines as soon as possible through our winter communications campaign.

The vaccination programme was brought forward this year based on the latest expert advice following the emergence of the new Covid-19 variant, and the NHS is encouraging everyone eligible to book an appointment to get their flu and Covid-19 vaccines to protect those most at risk this winter.

To make it ever more convenient for people to book in for their winter vaccines, all eligible adults can book their vaccination appointment through <u>www.nhs.uk/live-well/seasonal-health/keep-warm-keep-well</u>, by downloading the NHS App or by calling 119.

Those eligible for an autumn Covid vaccine are:

- residents in a care home for older adults
- all adults aged 65 years and over
- persons aged 6 months to 64 years in a clinical risk group, as laid out in the Immunisation Green Book, COVID-19 chapter (Green Book)
- frontline health and social care workers
- persons aged 12 to 64 years who are household contacts (as defined in the Green Book) of people with immunosuppression
- persons aged 16 to 64 years who are carers (as defined in the Green Book) and staff working in care homes for older adults.



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People with a severe mental illness

People with a severe mental illness (SMI) and those who care for them, are being invited to have a flu vaccination and Covid-19 booster this winter. Preventing Covid-19 and flu is particularly important for people with severe mental illness who are much more vulnerable to both viruses.

A new film launched by NHS Devon and Devon County Council highlights the importance of having both the vaccinations and annual health checks.

The video features the voices and real-life experiences of those with SMI, exploring their experience of accessing Covid-19 vaccination clinics and receiving vaccinations, and Annual Health Checks.

You can view the video here: <u>Vaccine / annual health checks - Severe mental illness</u> - YouTube

Covid 19 Vaccination Outreach Fund

One Devon has established the Covid 19 Vaccination Outreach Fund to enable organisations from the voluntary, community and social enterprise (VCSE) sector across Devon to deliver innovative projects and activities with vulnerable communities to help increase the uptake of Covid-19 vaccinations during the 2023/24 Autumn / Winter vaccine campaign. We are encouraging increased engagement within vulnerable communities to help address health inequalities.

Confirmed closures of Boots Pharmacy branch in Exeter

NHS Devon have been working with Boots Pharmacy as they plan the closure of the Mount Pleasant branch in Exeter. We undertake a local exercise to ensure we understand any concerns being raised by local pharmacy providers, GP practices, Healthwatch and Local Authority Public Health Teams. The Health and Wellbeing Board are notified as part of that process.

There is also a process to ensure the pharmacy is taking the appropriate action to encourage patients to change their nominated pharmacy ahead of the closure. In this case, there are several alternative pharmacies within a mile of this location for patients to choose to nominate to have their prescriptions dispensed from. There is also a supermarket pharmacy in Exeter which patients may choose to nominate to dispense their prescriptions.

Industrial action

Over 1460 appointments in Devon were cancelled during this latest period of industrial action by consultants, junior doctors and radiologists between 2-5 October.

Operationally, prolonged industrial action by frontline staff has had an impact on performance. The recovery period after these spells of industrial action also impacts performance.

Elective Care – progress on waiting lists

We continue to make progress on elective (planned) care recovery over the past couple of years.

Like all areas of the country, the pandemic had a major impact on our ability to carry out elective procedures and resulted in thousands of people waiting over two years for treatment.

However, thanks to determined and sustained work by staff within our providers and our own organisation, there are now no patients waiting more than two years for treatment at Royal Devon or Torbay.

The Nightingale Hospital continues to support the reduction in elective long waiter position and has now undertaken 1000 cataract operations.

There is still more to be done to reduce our waiting lists, but this is an important milestone that is making a big difference to our patients.

GP Patient Survey Results – Devon rated second best in England for GP satisfaction

Patients across Devon have had their say on local access to general practice in the latest national GP Patient Survey, published by NHS England in July.

The results show that almost 8 in 10 people are satisfied with their local practice, some of the highest achievement seen across the country.

Satisfaction rates overall have decreased slightly from last year, but Devon is still performing better that other areas, with 78% of people describing their experience of their GP practice as good.

Women's Health Hub and Menopause

NHS Devon are receiving £595,000 of funding to set up a Women's Health Hub provision in Devon. As part of this process two focus groups were held at the beginning of September for women in Devon and clinicians to share their experiences and provide their views on the draft proposals. The findings from these focus groups have fed into the final proposals for NHS England.

ENDS

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New Smokefree Devon Alliance Strategy 2023-2028

Report of the Director of Public Health, Communities and Prosperity

Please note that the following recommendations are subject to consideration and determination by the Health and Wellbeing Board before taking effect.

1) Recommendation

That the Health and Wellbeing Board be asked to:

- (a) Take note of the new <u>strategy</u> of the Smokefree Devon Alliance and support its delivery, by including it in the next Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy, and connecting it into other relevant strategies, policies and actions.
- (b) Agree to take an active role in the monitoring of the objectives outlined, including reviewing an annual update report, alongside the Torbay Health and Wellbeing Board.

2) Background / Introduction

The Smokefree Devon Alliance is a partnership of organisations committed to reducing the harm caused by tobacco in Devon and Torbay. It is co-ordinated by the public health team at Devon County Council and has two co-chairs:

- Steve Brown, Director of Public Health, Communities and Prosperity at Devon County Council
- Joanne Watson, Health and Care Strategy Director at Torbay and South Devon NHS Foundation Trust.

The Smokefree Devon Alliance has been providing a co-ordinated, multi-agency approach to tobacco control since 2010 and currently has a varied and active membership. The formation of the new <u>strategy</u> was based on extensive research into local data and insight, as well as exploration and collaboration between the multi-agency partners of the alliance.

This report outlines the key elements of the strategy, but the whole document can be viewed on the Alliance website <u>here</u>, or an interactive presentation can be viewed on <u>Sway</u>.

3) Main Body

Our vision is to create a Smokefree generation in Devon where people are protected from the harms caused by tobacco and second-hand smoke.

This ambition is achievable if we all work together. Tobacco impacts on all aspects of society, but the impact falls more heavily on our most vulnerable groups (ASH, 2023). We need to reduce these unjust inequalities caused by tobacco.

No single approach to tackling smoking will be successful; concerted, sustained, and coordinated action on a number of issues by a wide range of stakeholders, agencies and individuals is required.

This strategy sets out the aims and objectives of the Smokefree Devon Alliance for the next five years.

Aim

The aim of this strategy is to improve the health of Devon's population by reducing the prevalence of smoking and exposure to second-hand smoke, in doing so reduce health inequalities and smoking related illnesses and deaths.

Priorities

- 1. Protect children and young people from the harms of tobacco and de-normalise tobacco use to help prevent uptake
- 2. Reduce health inequalities caused by smoking, by supporting high quality evidencebased interventions, with a focus on achieving equity and fairness.
- 3. Ensure cross-sector, strategic collaboration around tobacco control, and support the development of a smokefree culture within key organisations

Objectives

1. There is sustained reduction in smoking prevalence compared to the baseline data in the indicators listed below:

	Devon	Torbay	Plymouth	Indicator Last Updated
Smoking Status at Time of Delivery	11.6%	11.5%	11.5%	2021/22
Smoking prevalence in adults with a long-term mental health condition (18+) - current smokers (GPPS)	24.7%	33.3%	28.3%	2020/21
Smoking prevalence in adults in routine and manual occupations (18-64) - current smokers (APS)	23.7%	22.7%	28.6%	2020
Statistically significantly better compared to England Statistically similar compared to England Statistically significantly worse compared to England				e compared to England

Source: Tobacco Control Profiles (OHID, 2023)

- 2. There is good collaborative working across the Integrated Care System which enables a joined-up approach to smoking cessation, consistency, and equity in delivery. The Smokefree Devon Alliance, the Integrated Care Board, Local Maternity and Neo-Natal Services (LMNS), Public Health, community stop smoking services and secondary care are all connected and participating in discussions in partnership, and reporting structures are in place and working effectively.
- 3. The Smokefree Devon Alliance has prioritised supporting smoking cessation services to reach and support people with mental health conditions and pregnant women and people to quit each year across Devon and Torbay. This information is

regularly collected and monitored, to allow measurement of progress towards this objective and for services to regularly evolve and improve.

- 4. The sale and supply of illegal tobacco in Devon is disrupted. Activity is measured by the quantity of illegal tobacco products (including vapes) seized by Trading Standards, the number of enforcement measures taken against suppliers and ultimately by a reduction of complaints. Also by the number of "cease and desist" letters sent to illegal tobacco sellers.
- 5. Data on smoking and vaping prevalence amongst children and young people in Devon and Torbay is routinely collected, enabling the actions of the Smokefree Devon Alliance to be informed by intelligence.

4) Strategic Plan

The strategy aligns well with the Council's strategic plan, having a direct effect on the following strategic priorities:

Be ambitious for children and young people	 By protecting children and young people from the harms of tobacco, through actions outlined such as: Supporting smokefree pregnancies to protect harm caused to unborn babies Promoting smokefree environments for children Enforcing legislation to prevent underage sales of tobacco and vapes Monitoring youth vaping and promoting vape education
Tackle poverty and inequality	Smoking is the leading cause of health inequalities in the UK and accounts for half the difference in life expectancy between the richest and poorest in society. Reducing smoking prevalence and targeting support to priority groups will have a significant effect on health inequalities
Improve health and wellbeing	 Smoking is the largest cause of premature death and disability. The strategy outlines actions which will: support people to stop smoking and therefore receive the many health benefits this brings denormalise smoking and help prevent uptake

5) Financial, Equality, Environmental and Legal Considerations

This report has no significant financial, equality, environmental or legal implications that are not already covered within the strategy.

6) Risk Management Considerations

This strategy has been assessed and has been deemed low risk to the Council and Alliance partners.

7) Summary / Conclusions / Reasons for Recommendations

Tobacco dependence is still the biggest cause of preventable illness and death, and high rates persist in some of our more vulnerable populations, making it a significant driver of health inequalities. Creating a smokefree future would not only significantly lower the pressure on our health and social care systems, but it would support a greater quality of life for many local people. We must therefore continue to focus on this important area.

There are significant policy changes currently proposed around the age of sale of tobacco and legislation around e-cigarettes/vapes. This strategy demonstrates how the Council is contributing locally to this national tobacco control policy context and formalises our support for the NHS around the prioritisation of treating tobacco dependence.

Approving the recommendations of this report will enable the continued prioritisation of this important area, as well as provide accountability to the members of the Alliance to deliver against the objectives that have been set out.

Steve Brown

Director of Public Health, Communities & Prosperity

Electoral Divisions: All

Local Government Act 1972: List of background papers

Smokefree Devon Alliance Strategy 2023 - 2028 July 2023 Published on the <u>Smokefree Devon Alliance</u> website. Smokefree Devon Alliance Strategy Supporting Information July 2023

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