

HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

1.	Meeting:	HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD
2.	Date:	27 th August 2014
3.	Title:	Joint Strategic Needs Assessment Update
4.	Directorate:	NAS

5. Summary

This report sets out the progress made in updating the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment for the Health and Wellbeing Board. The update includes the most recent changes in information and the achievement of the new requirement of an Asset Register.

6. Recommendations

That the Health and Wellbeing Board:

6.1 Endorse the progress set out in updating the JSNA at 7.1 and 7.2

6.2 Note the achievement of the Asset Register at 7.3

6.3 Agree the proposal for future updates at 7.1

7. Background

7.1 Progress to date

The Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) is a statutory duty of the Health and Wellbeing Board (HWBB) and is jointly developed across the Council, the Rotherham Clinical Commissioning Group (RCCG), the Voluntary Community Sector (VCS) and Healthwatch Rotherham (HWR). The DH Guidance of March 2013 sets out the requirements for content. The JSNA provides a comprehensive needs analysis for the borough and is critical to understanding demographic trends and the needs of citizens. This information is utilised by commissioners in the development of service specifications and by providers in developing their service offers in terms of capacity, resources and service models to commissioners and the citizens of Rotherham.

The JSNA was reviewed and revised at the end of 2011. A further refresh was required to meet government guidance and a new online version was developed and agreed after consultation at the HWBB in February 2014. It is intended that the JSNA has primacy as the data resource for Rotherham. The JSNA process is a coordinated and consistent approach to data and information that has been validated and is evidence based. The JSNA has a unique address of www.rotherham.gov.uk/jsna.

A small editorial group representing policy, strategic commissioning and public health oversees and performance manages the quality and content of the JSNA on behalf of the Health and Wellbeing Board. It is proposed that the Health and Wellbeing Board receive further updates on the JSNA content in September and March annually and otherwise by exception.

7.2 Information and data updates

At the end of April 2014, all officers who had contributed to the JSNA refresh in 2013 were asked to provide any changes or additions to the information previously provided. This resulted in a number of updates being made in May relating to education, fuel poverty, child's voice, NEETS, youth offending, SEN & disability, housing and sexual abuse. Further updates relating to resident population, ageing population, working age and migration were made in July following publication of new population estimates and projections.

In most cases, the changes so far have been minor and the key issues emerging from the JSNA remain as previously reported. There was some positive news about children on free school meals achieving a good level at Foundation Stage where Rotherham is now top quartile nationally.

Revised population projections now suggest that Rotherham will have 2,500 (1%) fewer residents by 2021 than previously projected. The reduction mainly affects people of working age whilst the expected numbers of older people aged 65+ and 75+ are slightly higher than previously projected.

Changes to reflect the latest data illustrate the value of being able to update the JSNA so that new information can quickly be made available online. This benefit will become more apparent over time as more new information becomes available and the JSNA will evolve accordingly.

7.3 Asset Register

A new requirement in the DH guidance is for an Asset Register for the borough. Such assets include physical community resources, for example community centres, schools, leisure facilities and individual community resources such as faith and spiritual leaders or voluntary sector organisation leaders.

Compiling the Asset Register has been a substantial piece of work. The information is an online resource and can be interrogated as required by the user to identify the resource sought. It is proposed that the Asset Register is used alongside the events and organisations information data base on Connect to Support. The register is in the process of being uploaded to the JSNA website.

8. Finance

There are no financial implications related to this report

9. Risks and Uncertainties

The risks of the Health and Wellbeing Board not providing a JSNA are that :

- The statutory requirement of Health and Wellbeing Boards as set out by the DH will not be met
- There will be no partnership resource for information, data and demographics for commissioning to utilise as needs analysis
- Providers will not be able to utilise the data to inform their business planning for service provision

10. Policy and Performance Agenda Implications

The JSNA is a statutory responsibility of the Health and Wellbeing Board and provides the main evidence base for the Health and Wellbeing Strategy.

11. Background Papers and Consultation

Statutory Guidance on Joint Strategic Needs Assessments Department of Health
March 2013

Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2012 – 2015

RMBC Strategic Commissioning Strategy

RCCG Commissioning Plan

RMBC Corporate Priorities:

Ensuring care and protection are available for those people who need it most.

- *All children in Rotherham are safe*
- *Vulnerable people are protected from abuse*
- *Helping to create safe and healthy communities*
- *Anti-social behaviour and crime is reduced*

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