

**HEALTH AND WELL BEING BOARD
14 MARCH 2024**

ITEM NO.

JOINT STRATEGIC NEEDS ASSESSMENT (JSNA)

SUMMARY REPORT

Purpose of the Report

1. To provide Health and Wellbeing Board members with an update on refreshing the Darlington JSNA. A presentation on the JSNA will demonstrate the utility of using an interactive dashboard to present data which describes the health and wellbeing status of the population.

Summary

2. A Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) is a collaborative process where local authorities, NHS organisations and others work together to ensure the needs and local determinants of the health of the local population are identified and agreed. The JSNA provides the evidence base for the health and wellbeing needs of the population and should be reviewed regularly.
3. JSNAs should be informed by research evidence, local insight and intelligence as any available more detailed local assessments.
4. Historically the JSNA was a large repository of data developed over a number of years and became unwieldy. The JSNA is currently being updated, (previously reported at Health and Wellbeing Board September 2023) when a “two stage” process was agreed.
5. The first stage was to clarify data available, i.e. Demography, Social and Environmental, Lifestyle and Risk Factors, Burden of Ill Health and Service Delivery. The second stage (due to “go live” in May 2024) is to structure the JSNA around the life course approach, underpinning the development of the Darlington Health and Wellbeing Plan. The revised JSNA will use Power BI to process and present information in a cohesive and accessible format. This is a tool for displaying and visualizing data via interactive dashboards which can update automatically.

Recommendation

6. It is recommended that:-

- (a) Health and Wellbeing Board members note the presentation and progress in developing and updating the JSNA.
- (b) Health and Wellbeing Board members are informed when phase two goes 'live' so they have assurance that a fit for purpose JSNA is in place.

Reasons

- 7. The recommendations are supported by the following reasons:-
 - (a) The Health and Wellbeing Board is responsible assessing the health and wellbeing needs of the population and publishing a Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA).

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Background Papers

None

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S17 Crime and Disorder	There are no implications arising from this report.
Health and Wellbeing	The JSNA is a requirement for ensuring health and wellbeing needs are identified.
Carbon Impact and Climate Change	There are no implications arising from this report.
Diversity	There are no implications arising from this report.
Wards Affected	All
Groups Affected	All
Budget and Policy Framework	N/A
Key Decision	N/A
Urgent Decision	N/A
Council Plan	N/A
Efficiency	N/A
Impact on Looked After Children and Care Leavers	This report has no impact on Looked After Children or Care Leavers or amend