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Health and Well-Being Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Children's Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) / Demography (JSNA)

Report of: Debbie Maynard, Head of Public Health / Maria Payne, Needs Assessment Manager

Wards and communities affected: Key Decision:

All wards No decision

Accountable Head of Service: Debbie Maynard – Head of Public Health

Accountable Director: Dr Andrea Atherton – Director of Public Health,/Roger Harris, Director of Adults, Health and Commissioning,

This report is public

Purpose of Report: The purpose of this report is to provide the HOSC with details around two products

- Children's JSNA
- Demography JSNA

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Every Health and Wellbeing Board has the responsibility to produce a Joint Strategic Needs Assessment for their area, which should give a comprehensive overview of the current and future health and care needs of local populations to inform and guide the planning and commissioning of health, wellbeing and social care services. This paper aims to update the HOSC with the progress of the new JSNA process, and to request support for both of the first two JSNA's:

- Children's JSNA
- Demography JSNA
- 1. **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

The HOSC is asked to consider:

- 1.1 Supporting the key recommendations and priorities identified in this paper.
- 1.2 Commit to supporting the process required to update JSNA's for Thurrock Council.



2. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND:

- 2.1 Since April 2013 it has been the responsibility of every Health and Wellbeing Board to produce a Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) for their area to provide a comprehensive overview of the current health and wellbeing of their population, form an evidence base for future commissioning priorities, and inform a Health and Wellbeing Strategy. Within Thurrock, the Health and Wellbeing Board have delegated this responsibility to the Public Health team to coordinate.
- The current JSNA in place for Thurrock was published in 2012, and is available here. This document provides an overarching view of the whole population for Thurrock, and is very data-focussed. A proposal for the new JSNA which was agreed by Directors Board in January 2014 was to produce separate JSNA documents for key population groups or topic areas, which together would form a comprehensive overview, but could stand alone and give more detailed information about current services and needs. The documents would also have more focus on what we are doing locally already to address needs, and move further towards an asset approach. In particular, the considerable regeneration and population growth that Thurrock has begun and will continue to experience will lead to a number of benefits, opportunities and challenges, and it is hoped that the JSNA documents will support commissioners and decision-makers in identifying and meeting future needs. A timeline was agreed to enable these documents to be produced in a staged process between 2014-2016.
- 2.3 Whilst each JSNA document is project-managed and collated from within the Public Health team, each document has been and will be produced with contributions from a range of internal and external partners in order to ensure the accuracy and usefulness of the information. Focussed Task and Finish groups have been established to ensure the right people are involved in producing the documents and submitting recommendations for consideration when making commissioning decisions.
- 2.4 As per the agreed timescales, a JSNA on the Demography of the Thurrock population was the first to be produced. The aim of this document is to give an overview of the characteristics of the local population, including where there might be differences within the borough, in order to underpin the other JSNA documents which will focus on key groups. (See Appendix 1)
- 2.5 The second JSNA document to be produced has focussed solely on the needs of Children and Young People in Thurrock. The Task and Finish group agreed that it should follow the structure determined by Every Child Matters, in order to fully cover the needs of our child population.
- 2.6 The plan is for JSNAs on the Wider Determinants of Health, Adults and Older People, and Assets to be produced in 2015.
- 2.7 It is recognised that it will require a large amount of capacity and resource to maintain and produce JSNA documents to constantly ensure we have got the most current information available. There is the potential to include the JSNA as part of the work of the Thurrock Digital Board in order for future JSNAs to be more accessible and easier to maintain. Work is in process to explore this opportunity in time for the updates to all documents.
- 2.8 Our aim is not to produce updated JSNA's annually but to keep the Thurrock JSNA live with the latest information reflected. As key data is received within the council, we are proposing to update the JSNA to reflect the latest position; this will ensure



that the document remains live and updated so that commissioners, members and officers refer to the JSNA for decision making within the council. An audit trail will be kept and key directorates will work with the public health team to reflect all amendments and agree to updates within the JSNA. Whilst this process could be coordinated within the Public Health team, support would be required from others to ensure that the latest data is provided to keep each section up to date.

3 NEXT STEPS

3.1 These reports will be approved by the Health and Wellbeing Board and the Children's Partnership Board. The Children's Partnership Board meets on 12th January 2015 and the Health and Wellbeing Board meets on 12th March, with a view for the documents to be published on the Thurrock Council website as soon as possible afterwards.

4. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION:

- 4.1 The HOSC is asked to consider:
- 2 Supporting the key recommendations and priorities identified in this paper.
- 3 Commit to supporting the process required to update JSNA's for Thurrock Council

5. IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Financial

Implications verified by: Mike Jones

There are no implications currently – But in the future the JSNA could have future financial implications to commissioners both in health and social care

5.2 **Legal**

There are no legal implications

5.3 **Diversity and Equality**

Implications verified by: Natalie Warren

The JSNA captures robust up-to-date details around diversity and equality and should inform commissioners and members of the current position locally

7.4 Other implications (where significant) – i.e. Section 17, Risk Assessment, Health Impact Assessment, Sustainability, IT, Environmental

NONE

BACKGROUND PAPERS USED IN PREPARING THIS REPORT (include their location and identify whether any are exempt or protected by copyright):



- Demography JSNA
- Children's JSNA

APPENDICES TO THIS REPORT:

· Gantt Chart for producing JSNA

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