

# HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD



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**SUBJECT: JSNA UpdateUpdate**

## 1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this paper is to update the Health and Wellbeing Board on work on the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) in 2023/24 and the programme of work planned for 2024/25.

## 2. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE HEALTH & WELLBEING BOARD

The Health and Wellbeing Board is asked to note the contents of this report.

## 3. BACKGROUND

The Health and Social Care Act 2012 amends the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 (“the 2007 Act”) to introduce duties and powers for Health and Wellbeing Boards in relation to JSNAs and Joint Local Health and Wellbeing Strategies (‘JLHWS’).

JSNAs are produced by Health and Wellbeing Boards and provide an assessment of the current and future health and care needs of the local population. They consider wider factors that impact on their communities’ health and wellbeing, and local assets that can help to improve outcomes and reduce inequalities. They are not an end in themselves, but a continuous process of strategic assessment and planning. Local areas are free to undertake JSNAs in a way best suited to their local circumstances – there is no template or format that must be used and no mandatory data set to be included. In preparing JSNAs, Health and Wellbeing Boards must have regard to guidance issued by the Secretary of State.

## 4. RATIONALE

The Blackburn with Darwen JSNA webpage can be found here:

<https://www.blackburn.gov.uk/health/public-health-information/joint-strategic-needs-assessment>

The Blackburn with Darwen JSNA is led by the Public Health Team of Blackburn with Darwen Borough Council. Content and development of the JSNA is guided by the JSNA Partnership Group, on behalf of the Health and Wellbeing Board. The JSNA Partnership Group membership is formed to reflect those organisations represented on the Health and Wellbeing Board as well as representatives from the Council including the Adults & Health, and Chief Executives department.

The Blackburn with Darwen JSNA is made up of two parts; overview sections which provide a broad range of demographic, wider determinants of health and health statistics (Setting the Scene,

Start Well, Live Well and Age Well) and chapter sections, which provide a more in-depth review of a specific theme.

Progress within 2023/24 on the JSNA has included:

- The Partnership Group has met three times
- A development session was held for Health and Wellbeing Board members in May 2023
- Chapters were completed on the topics 'Mental Health, Mental Wellbeing, Self-harm and Suicide', 'Sexual Health', 'Unpaid Carers', 'SEND' and 'Diabetes'. (Chapters on 'Substance Misuse' and 'Alcohol' are being finalised)
- A short video to explain the purpose and uses for the JSNA was developed and shared with partners. This is now available via the JSNA webpage.

Within 2023/24 there was a concerted effort to raise awareness of the JSNA with relevant partners and its value as a resource to support strategic planning. This has contributed to development of a more robust forward plan, where chapters are time lined to support development of a range of strategic documents.

During 2024/25 objectives for the JSNA include:

- The JSNA Partnership Group will continue to meet as necessary
- Overview sections will be updated
- Chapters to be developed include:
  - 'Falls and Deconditioning'
  - 'Learning Disability and Autism'
  - 'Infant Mortality',
  - 'Bowel Screening'
  - 'Housing and Health'
- Short review of Dementia data to be completed
- Plans are in place for the development of a digital JSNA in Q4 2024/25 to meet best practice accessibility standards

## **5. KEY ISSUES**

Under the current guidance, key issues for the JSNA are:

- It is a statutory responsibility of both the local authority and the Integrated Care Board (ICB) to prepare their JSNA through the Health and Wellbeing Board.
- It is overseen by a JSNA Partnership Group and led by the Public Health team within the Council.
- It is used to support strategy development, service planning, commissioning and delivery so that working together the Council and ICB can deliver the best health and care services for the local community.
- It provides the council and partners with general information about the health of borough residents.

## **6. POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

There are no direct policy implications.

## **7. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no financial implications to producing the JSNA. All activity is covered by existing budgets.

## 8. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Under s116 and 116A of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 (as amended by the Health and Social Care Act 2012 and the Health and Care Act 2022), local authorities and ICBs have equal and joint duties to prepare JSNAs (and JLHWS) through the Health and Wellbeing Board. They must have regard to any guidance issued by the Secretary of State, co-operate with each other, and involve both the Local Healthwatch organisation for the area and the local community in preparing their JSNA.

The Local Authority must publish JSNA outputs.

Health and Wellbeing Boards must meet the Public Sector Equality duty under the Equality Act 2010,

[NB – Under the Health and Care Act 2022, clinical commissioning groups (CCGs) have been abolished and their functions have been assumed by integrated care boards (ICBs). The Health and Care Act 2022 also amends section 116A of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007, renames ‘joint health and wellbeing strategies’ to ‘joint local health and wellbeing strategies’ and replaces references to ‘clinical commissioning groups’ with ‘integrated care boards’].

## 9. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

The resources for producing the JSNA have been incorporated into Public Health plans and therefore there are no additional resource implications. The website redevelopment is scheduled with IT internally for consideration and has no additional resource implications.

## 10. EQUALITY AND HEALTH IMPLICATIONS

The JSNA aims to:

- Describe the health needs of the population, including by area or population group
- Help support a healthier population and reduce health inequalities.

## 11. CONSULTATIONS

- The 2007 Act states that Health and Wellbeing Boards must involve the local Healthwatch organisation and the local community within the JSNA process, although there is no requirement for formal consultation. The Chief Officer of Blackburn with Darwen Healthwatch is a member of the JSNA Partnership Group, and work is ongoing to ensure that the Healthwatch work programme and topics which the JSNA chapters cover is as aligned as possible. This will ensure that community and resident insight gathered by Healthwatch is captured within the JSNA. In addition, a short video explaining the purpose of the JSNA has been developed and is now available on the weblink above. It is designed to raise awareness and improve accessibility and understanding of the JSNA, for a range of audiences including members of the public.

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