

**TELFORD & WREKIN COUNCIL**

**HEALTH & WELLBEING BOARD – TUESDAY 11 FEBRUARY 2020 &  
WEDNESDAY 10 JUNE 2020**

**HEALTH & WELLBEING STRATEGY REFRESH PROPOSALS 2020/21-2022/23**

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**PART A) – SUMMARY REPORT**

**1. SUMMARY OF MAIN PROPOSALS**

**1.1 Introduction**

The Health & Wellbeing Board approved the draft proposals for the refreshed Health & Wellbeing Strategy for 2020/21 - 2022/23 in February 2020, before the full nature and scale of the coronavirus pandemic was imagined. Since then the impact of COVID-19 has profoundly affected us all as individuals, within our families and communities, and also in the statutory and voluntary organisations which offer services and support to improve health and wellbeing in Telford & Wrekin.

The pandemic has impacted on our health and wellbeing in significant and far reaching ways, particularly challenging our emotional and mental wellbeing and resilience. Health inequalities have been especially apparent not only for COVID-19 infection, but more widely as vulnerable children and adults have been most adversely affected due to the pressure of the lock down period. We know that during the pandemic many people have not sought medical advice and that urgent treatment has been delayed. The pandemic has also clearly impacted significantly the wider determinants of health, such as business and economy and education.

The refreshed strategy demonstrates the partnership progress made in improving health and wellbeing through the changing way partners have worked together to improve outcomes since the establishment of the Health & Wellbeing Board in 2013. Our proposals have now been updated to reflect the recovery, reform and reset agenda, providing a unique opportunity for the council, partners and our communities to re-imagine and re-invent how we work together to improve health and wellbeing.

The strategy priorities proposed in early 2020 are all still highly relevant to our communities and we are also proposing an additional health protection priority, to

ensure we have a focus on preventing and reducing the impact of infectious disease in our communities.

The proposed priorities are as follows:

- Continue to develop, evolve and deliver our Telford & Wrekin Integrated Place Partnership (TWIPP) priority programmes:
  - Building community capacity and resilience
  - Prevention and healthy lifestyles
  - Early access to advice and information
  - Integrated care and support pathways
- Have a priority focus to drive progress on tackling health inequalities
- Set a priority call to action to improve emotional and mental wellbeing
- Ensure we protect people's health as much as possible from infectious diseases and other threats

A series of engagement workshops in late 2019 informed the development of the original strategy refresh proposals, including valuable conversations with Community and Voluntary Sector organisations.

The consultation on the strategy priorities planned for March 2020 did not take place given the urgent need to respond to the COVID-19 situation. If the Board approve these reset strategy proposals it is envisaged that consultation and engagement work will take place as part of the programmes being developed to deliver against the priorities.

The governance arrangements for the implementation of this strategy will be managed through the Health & Wellbeing Board, Telford & Wrekin Integrated Place Partnership and the Telford & Wrekin Community Safety Partnership. There will also be alignment with the governance structure being planned as part of recovery coordination in the local authority and as part of NHS system restoration plans. A governance model for the strategy, which aligns with partner's recovery and reset plans will be brought back to the HWB in due course.

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| <p><b>2. <u>RECOMMENDATIONS</u></b></p> <p>The Health &amp; Wellbeing Board is asked to approve the reset strategy proposals.</p> |
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## SUMMARY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

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| <b>COMMUNITY IMPACT</b>                 | Do these proposals contribute to specific Council priorities?   |  |
|   | Yes   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Improving health and wellbeing across Telford and Wrekin, and;</li> <li>Protect and support our most vulnerable children and adults</li> <li>Securing the best start in life for children and young people</li> </ul>   |
|   | Will the proposals impact on specific groups of people?   |  |
|   | Yes   | The Strategy aims to improve health and wellbeing for everybody in Telford & Wrekin, with a drive to reduce health inequalities, in our most disadvantaged communities, and for people with poor mental health. There is a particular focus on our most vulnerable and complex children, young people and adults.  |
| <b>TARGET COMPLETION/ DELIVERY DATE</b> | <p>The Strategy will cover the three year period 2020/21-2022/23.</p> <p>Key early commitments for 2020/21 are proposed against the priorities.</p> |  |
| <b>FINANCIAL/VALUE FOR MONEY IMPACT</b> | Yes   | <p>The delivery of this strategy will need to be within available resources, including Public Health grant and other budgets within the Council including those funding adult and children social care services, homelessness and housing support. The Public Health grant for 2020/21 is £12.7million. The level of Council funding beyond 2020/21 is uncertain and current projections indicate that overall the Council will have to make savings of around £18million by 2023.</p> <p>The Better Care Pooled Fund currently provides £6.7m of funding for Integrated care and support delivered by the Council and CCG.</p> <p>The Council was selected to participate in the Government's Strengthening Families programme (Hertfordshire model) which is investing £84 million over 5 years to support up to 20 local authorities to improve work with families to safely reduce the number of children entering care.</p> <p>A whole system approach to delivery of this strategy provides the opportunity to maximise the efficient use of the available resources to enable delivery of effective outcomes for the community.</p> <p>The Government have provided significant resources to support the immediate system wide response to the Covid-19 pandemic, however, this has only been</p> |

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|   |     | provided as one off and it is uncertain whether there will be any legacy funding available to deal with any longer term impacts.<br>TS 28.5.2020  |
| <b>LEGAL ISSUES</b>                             | Yes | The HWBB has a statutory obligation to encourage integrated working and to encourage health and care services to work closely with the HWBB (s.195 Health and Social Care Act 2012).<br><br>The principles within the strategy have already been approved by the HWBB; this report simply deals with the need for the strategy to reflect the health priorities arising out of the Covid-19 pandemic.<br><br>The strategy continues to set out how the HWBB will encourage integrated working to satisfy its statutory obligation.<br>AL 26/05/2020 |
| <b>OTHER IMPACTS, RISKS &amp; OPPORTUNITIES</b> | No  | There are clear opportunities for public sector organisations to work more closely with the community and voluntary sector.<br><br>The NHS Long Term Plan expectations provides new opportunities to collaborate, so the NHS strengthens its role in the prevention of ill health and duty to reduce inequalities.  |
| <b>IMPACT ON SPECIFIC WARDS</b>                 | Yes | Borough-wide impact is expected, but particularly wards with highest levels socioeconomic deprivation and health inequalities.  |

## **PART B) – ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

### **3. IMPACT ASSESSMENT – ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

None.

### **4. PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Health & Wellbeing Strategy – Update 9<sup>th</sup> March 2016  
Health & Wellbeing Strategy – Refresh proposals Feb 2020

### **5. BACKGROUND PAPERS**

None.

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