

Title: Update Report – Public Health

Wards Affected: Torbay-wide

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1. Achievements since last meeting

1.1 Annual report.

The Director of Public Health annual report for 2013 is currently being prepared and the headline issues will be shared at the meeting. The focus of this year's annual report is around how local government rises to the challenge of inequalities and an aging population. The report identifies that the gap in life expectancy has widened in recent years, from 8 to 12 years for males and from 6 to 8 years for females.

1.2 Legal highs.

There have been on-going meetings to ensure the issues around legal highs are adequately addressed across the bay. A task and finish group has continued to meet focused on work to monitor the situation and raise awareness of the dangers of legal highs. Training of front-line staff and awareness raising in schools has begun and a short film developed.

A Devon wide group will take forward co-ordination of any on-going actions.

1.3 Ageing better – Big Lottery bid to address Social isolation

As members will know, Torbay was successful in the first round of bidding for the Ageing better project. After a rigorous selection process, Torbay Community Development Trust have been selected to be the lead for development the bid in the second round. This is to develop further the vision and strategy and build capacity amongst Older People to oversee and further develop the work. A submission has been made to try and secure development monies to take this work forward. A decision is expected this month on this partnership funding.

1.4 NHS Core offer

The Public Health team have now completed the first two quarters of work under the Memorandum of Understanding to support the Clinical Commissioning Group through the core offer. A Q2 report has been submitted. Public Health staff are now well embedded within the CCG supporting needs analysis, evidenced based reviews, infection control, governance and emergency planning .They provide public

Health input to a number of Clinical Pathway Groups (CPGs) and Re-design board work as well as attending the Clinical Commissioning Committee and CCG Board.

1.5 Local Alcohol action areas (LAAA) submission.

Public Health, with support from colleagues throughout the council and from partners, has submitted a bid to become an LAAA. This will enable us to progress the work around alcohol in a number of key areas:

- Development of a more in-depth analysis of data sets to understand why Torbay alcohol-related admissions continue to be outlier despite investment in 'high-impact' changes
- Best-practice development of alcohol Identification and Brief Advice (IBA) pathways for the sub-dependent drinking population and monitoring outcomes for drinking behaviour change
- Optimisation of hospital alcohol liaison services
- Developing identification and response pathways for older adults.
- Addressing social norms amongst young people in regard to alcohol use

1.6 Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA).

In 2014/15 it is intended that the JSNA is produced under the auspices of i-Bay in order to reflect a greater wealth of intelligence and knowledge data. Data will also be collected across 3 domains: Qualitative and community involvement, community assets, and quantitative and multi-agency data. Data will be available in web-form where tools will be available to all sectors and partners which can be used to generate relevant needs and locality based data.

JSNA is a continually evolving process. Part of the process includes a reflective element that identifies information opportunities.

The framework for JSNA in Torbay is presented in appendix 1.

2. Challenges for the next three months

2.1. There have been a number of staff changes in last few months within the Public Health team which require the team to look at roles and responsibilities. By the end of December we will develop a prioritised work plan together with a performance monitoring framework.

3. Action required by partners

1. To comment on the framework for JSNA with a view to agreeing the format of the JSNA for 2014/15.
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3. To agree how HWBB members will get involved in agreeing emerging priorities from the JSNA.

Appendix 1

JSNA proposed structure

