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Wards Affected: All

Report Title: Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy

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# 1. Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this report is to present to the Council the draft Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy which was agreed by the Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board at its meeting on 22 November 2012.

## 2. **Proposed Decision**

2.1 That the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy be endorsed.

#### 3. Action Needed

3.1 Following its endorsement, the Strategy will be published on the Council's website and publicised across the community.

## 4. Summary

- 4.1 Torbay Council and the South Devon and Torbay Clinical Commissioning Group must, through the Torbay Health and Wellbeing Board, prepare a Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy. The Strategy should use the evidence from the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and should outline the shared priorities for action, reflecting the issues that matter most to communities and where the greatest impact can be made to improve health and wellbeing outcomes.
- 4.2 Torbay's Health and Wellbeing Strategy has been developed through a series of discussions at the Shadow Board and the Health and Wellbeing Forum and has also been subject to consultation with the wider community through October 2012.

# **Supporting Information**

#### 5. **Position**

- 5.1 The preparation of a Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy by the Health and Wellbeing Board (on behalf of the Council and the Clinical Commissioning Group) is a statutory requirement. The Strategy sets out the Vision, Outcomes, Principles and Priorities for the Torbay Health and Wellbeing Board until 2015.
- 5.2 The Vision for Torbay's Health and Wellbeing Strategy is 'A Healthier Torbay: Where we work together to enable everyone to enjoy a healthy, safe and fulfilling life.'
- 5.3 To achieve this vision the Board has identified three outcomes to be delivered:
  - Children have the best start in life
  - A healthy life with a reduced gap in life expectancy
  - Improved mental health and wellbeing
- 5.4 Each Outcome has a number of priorities and actions linked to it. The Strategy is attached at Appendix 1 together with its Equality Impact Assessment at Appendix 2.
- The commissioning plans of the Council, the Clinical Commissioning Group and the NHS Commissioning Board must be informed by the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy. The commissioning priorities of the South Devon and Torbay Clinical Commissioning Group are aligned with the key principles and objectives of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy. (The Clinical Commissioning Group's Summary Commissioning Plan is attached at Appendix 3.)
- 5.6 Whilst neighbouring Health and Wellbeing Boards in Devon and Plymouth have taken a different approach and format to developing their strategies, a cross referencing has been completed and similar priorities have emerged and included in their plans with a focus on Families; Lifestyle Choices; Independence in Older Age; Social Capital and Building Communities.
- 5.7 The Strategy will be supported by relevant implementation plans taken forward by groups already in existence working in the specific focus areas. The Health and Wellbeing Board will take a role in overseeing the delivery, assurance and multi agency strategic leadership for the people of Torbay.

# 6. Possibilities and Options

At the time of writing, the final versions of Regulations and Guidance are still awaiting. However, if the Council feels that changes should be made to the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy, these should be highlighted and reported back to the Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board for consideration.

# 7. Preferred Solution/Option

7.1 The preferred option is that the Strategy which is included at Appendix 1 should be endorsed by the Council.

#### 8. **Consultation**

- 8.1 The draft Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy was prepared by the Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board which comprises of four Torbay Councillors, the Director of Adult Services and Director of Children's Services (both Torbay Council), the Director of Public Health, the Accountable Officer of South Devon and Torbay Clinical Commissioning Group and a representative of the Local Involvement Network (LINk)/Healthwatch.
- 8.2 The draft also took account of the views of the wider Health and Wellbeing Forum which includes representatives from organisations within the following sectors:
  - Criminal Justice
  - Housing
  - Culture and Leisure
  - Older People
  - Economic Regeneration
  - Voluntary Sector
  - Children and Young People
  - Health and Social Care Providers
- 8.3 Torbay Council's Policy, Performance and Review Team co-ordinated a consultation exercise which collected data between 24 September and 31 October 2012. All those invited to and/or attending the Health and Wellbeing Forum on 20 September 2012 were invited to complete an online survey and give their views on the draft Strategy's Vision, Principles, Outcomes and Priorities. The survey was also available to the general public on the Council's website and was publicised on the monthly Consultation Newsletter which is sent to members of the ViewPoint Panel, stakeholder and other members of the public on the Council's Consultation Database.

# 9. Risks

- 9.1 If the Strategy is not endorsed then the Council risks not meeting one of its statutory duties. However, the delay in publishing the final Regulations and Guidance, means that there is little information about the potential impact of this risk.
- 9.2 Once the Strategy is endorsed, there are risks attached to the delivery of the outcomes within the Strategy. These will be managed by the Health and Wellbeing Board.

## **Appendices**

Appendix 1 – Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy

Appendix 2 – Equality Impact Assessment

Appendix 3 – South Devon and Torbay Clinical Commissioning Group – Commissioning Plan – Plan on a Page

# **Additional Information**

None