

Committee(s): City of London Health and Wellbeing Board	Dated: 16/07/2021
Subject: City of London Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy refresh – update	Public
Which outcomes in the City Corporation’s Corporate Plan does this proposal aim to impact directly?	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 11 and 12
Does this proposal require extra revenue and/or capital spending?	N
If so, how much?	£
What is the source of Funding?	
Has this Funding Source been agreed with the Chamberlain’s Department?	Y/N
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Summary

This paper provides an update on the development of City of London’s Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy, including an overview of the King’s Fund Workshop which took place on 21st May 2021. This update paper is in addition to the discussion that will be take place with the Health and Wellbeing Board on 16 July about next steps and timetable on the strategy.

Recommendations

Members are asked to:

- Note the report
- Confirm the approach to the recommendation of a review of terms of reference for the Board
- Confirm the approach and timetable for proposed completion of the 1st draft of the City of London Health and Wellbeing Strategy

Main Report

Background

1. In September 2020, the Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) endorsed the recommendation to use the King’s Fund population health framework to support co-ordinated local action to tackle health inequalities, and to guide the development of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy (JHWBS). Further, it was endorsed that a ‘health in all policies’ approach should be adopted to help inform the priorities for the JHWBS.

2. An engagement session was held with the HWBB on 10 November 2020. The outcomes from the session were:
 - agreement to co-ordinate and work with Hackney on engagement and key areas of crossover between the two separate JHWB strategies
 - consensus that engagement for the strategy must be far-reaching, ensuring that methods are used to engage with hard-to-reach groups.

3. In January 2021, the Board agreed to:
 - The delivery of an externally facilitated development workshop for City of London HWB members.
 - The delivery of a second workshop to bring together members from both Hackney and the City of London's Health and Wellbeing Boards, plus key stakeholders (including City and Hackney Health Inequalities Steering Group members), to agree a strategic framework for improving population health through two new Health and Wellbeing Strategies.

4. The development session for City of London HWB Members was planned in Consultation with the Chair of the by officers from the Community and Children's Service and joint public health team. The session was facilitated by Alan Higgins from the London Government Association (LGA). The outcomes from the session included:
 - a need for clarity of purpose through the governance structure and priorities set in the JHWBS,
 - greater resident and working population engagement,
 - a clearer focus on outcomes, and how we monitor progress toward them, and
 - greater involvement from the third sector
 - a recognition that the NHS is going through a reorganisation and that further changes may occur in the role of HWB board once the proposed 2021 Health and Social Care Act is enacted.

5. The Joint HWB Strategy Prioritisation Workshop, held on 21 May, was facilitated by Professor Durka Dougall and David Buck from The King's Fund. It was supported by Alan Higgins from the LGA, and also included a guest presentation from Professor Kevin Fenton. On the day, Sandra Husbands, Professor Fenton and the Chairs of the Health and Wellbeing Boards provided the context for the workshop with verbal and slide presentations that focused on key lessons shared from the pandemic, core principles in addressing health inequalities and a summary of the data evidence packs.

6. A City of London evidence pack on health and inequalities was developed and this was used to inform the discussions at the workshop. Attendees were asked to consider what the City Corporation did well, the gaps or opportunities, areas for priority focus and what each priority focus needed.

7. A Request for Quotation was published for a Peer Research service, and this was awarded to Hackney Volunteer Centre (HVC) in early June. Since the award date HVC has begun recruitment of peer researchers and established a steering group,

which had its first meeting on June 30. A first draft of survey questions is being produced with the peer researchers, ready for the first training session in mid-July.

8. A joint HWB strategy working group has been set up, chaired by Marianne Fredericks and Cllr Kennedy. This working group convened in April 2021, with a second meeting held on June 24th.

Current Position

9. Since the Joint HWB Strategy Prioritisation Workshop the board is requested to confirm approach to the recommendations from the workshop:-
 - a. The terms of reference of the Board should be reviewed
 - b. The extension of JHWBS development timeline to allow for thorough engagement, and therefore a later 2022 sign off date.
 - c. How the JHWBS can be used to set a clear purpose for the Board and strengthen existing work in the City of London.

Corporate & Strategic Implications

Strategic implications

10. The JHWBS is being developed in line with the statutory duties of the Health and Wellbeing Board, as laid out in the Health and Social Care Act 2012. A new Health and Social Care Act is expected to be enacted in 2021, the current white paper proposes to continue with the strategic role of the HWB. However, once the new Act has been through Parliamentary process any additional changes will be reported to the board for consideration.

11. The JHWBS aligns with and will support the following outcomes of the Corporate Plan:

Contribute to a flourishing society

1. People are safe and feel safe
2. People enjoy good health and wellbeing
3. People have equal opportunities to enrich their lives and reach their full potential
4. Communities are cohesive and have the facilities they need

Support a thriving economy

5. Businesses are trusted and socially and environmentally responsible
8. We have access to the skills and talent we need

Shape outstanding environments

9. We are digitally and physically well-connected and responsive
11. We have clean air, land and water and a thriving and sustainable natural environment
12. Our spaces are secure, resilient and well-maintained.

Financial implications

12. None

Resource implications

13. None

Legal implications

14. None

Risk implications

15. None

Equalities implications

16. The JHWBS will be developed through an explicit inequalities lens – to ensure that sufficient focus is placed on inequalities that have deepened as a result of COVID-19 (for example, linked to ethnicity and deprivation), and that our plans are broadened to directly address the needs of vulnerable groups that have not been prioritised previously (such as people living in insecure, overcrowded accommodation who are at increased risk of infection and may have limited access to services). In addition, an Equality Impact Assessment will be completed by August 2021.

17. The JHWBS will have strategic support from the City and Hackney Health Inequalities Steering Group and an Equalities Impact Assessment will be undertaken.

Climate implications

18. None

Security implications

19. None

Conclusion

20. Members are asked to note the update on the JHWBS development, and the points that will be considered at the 16 July Board meeting.

Appendices

- None

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