

Health and Care Strategy

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Summary:	<p>This report provides an overview of the requirement to develop an integrated care strategy by December 2022, a five-year forward plan by March 2023 and how Somerset is approaching this requirement.</p> <p>The Health and Care Act 2022 requires integrated care partnerships to write an integrated care strategy to set out how the assessed needs (from the joint strategic needs assessments) can be met through the exercise of the functions of the Integrated Care Board, partner local authorities or NHS England (NHSE).</p> <p>There is a statutory requirement for Somerset ICB, along with Somerset NHS FT and Yeovil District Hospital NHS FT to prepare a five-year Joint Forward Plan before the start of each financial year. In Somerset, we have agreed that this five-year Joint Forward Plan will be a health and care implementation plan for delivering the strategy in Somerset.</p>
Recommendations:	<p>That the Somerset Health and Wellbeing Board and Integrated Care Partnership:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Receive the information about the requirement to develop an integrated care strategy2. Endorse the Fit for my Future strategy as our Somerset Integrated Care Strategy3. Agree that they will receive the Somerset strategy at the January meeting4. Agree that the five-year joint forward plan will be a system plan inclusive of health and care
Reasons for recommendations:	<p>The Health and Care Act 2022 requires integrated care partnerships to write an integrated care strategy to set out how the assessed needs (from the joint strategic needs assessments) can be met through the exercise of the functions of the integrated care board, partner local authorities (NHSE).</p>

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<p>Links to The Improving Lives Strategy</p>	<p>Please tick the Improving Lives priorities influenced by the delivery of this work</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="544 472 1465 936"> <tr> <td data-bbox="544 472 1289 600"> <p>A County infrastructure that drives productivity, supports economic prosperity and sustainable public services</p> </td> <td data-bbox="1289 472 1465 600"></td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="544 600 1289 728"> <p>Safe, vibrant and well-balanced communities able to enjoy and benefit from the natural environment</p> </td> <td data-bbox="1289 600 1465 728"></td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="544 728 1289 810"> <p>Fairer life chances and opportunity for all</p> </td> <td data-bbox="1289 728 1465 810"></td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="544 810 1289 936"> <p>Improved health and wellbeing and more people living healthy and independent lives for longer</p> </td> <td data-bbox="1289 810 1465 936" style="text-align: center;"> <p>✓</p> </td> </tr> </table> <p>Fit for my Future delivers the fourth aim of the Improving Lives strategy.</p>	<p>A County infrastructure that drives productivity, supports economic prosperity and sustainable public services</p>		<p>Safe, vibrant and well-balanced communities able to enjoy and benefit from the natural environment</p>		<p>Fairer life chances and opportunity for all</p>		<p>Improved health and wellbeing and more people living healthy and independent lives for longer</p>	<p>✓</p>
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<p>Financial, Legal, HR, Social value and partnership Implications:</p>	<p>There is a statutory requirement for the ICP to develop an integrated care strategy. Somerset Integrated Care Board and Somerset County Council should engage, cooperate and provide the necessary resources. Other partners on the ICP should participate fully (e.g. Somerset Foundation Trust, Adult Social Care, Children’s Social Care, Primary Care, VCSE and Healthwatch).</p>								
<p>Equalities Implications:</p>	<p>The integrated care partnership strategy will ensure our activities are joined together as a system to address inequalities in health.</p> <p>The Terms of Reference for the ICP includes the requirement to have regard to the Public Sector Equality Duty which applies both to the council and Integrated Care Board.</p>								
<p>Risk Assessment:</p>	<p>No new risks have been identified in the proposed way forward. There are risks of duplication and competing priorities if we do not develop a single system strategy and approach.</p>								