

Somerset Health and Wellbeing Board
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Summary:	The JSNA for 2018 summarizes the findings of JSNAs produced during the current Health and Wellbeing Strategy and so provides an outline evidence base for the new <i>Improving Lives – Somerset’s Health and Wellbeing Strategy</i> .		
Recommendations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That the Somerset Health and Wellbeing Board agrees the publication of the summary JSNA to support consultation on <i>Improving Lives</i>. • That the Somerset Health and Wellbeing Board agrees the sub-county geographical units for the production of locality-based JSNA summaries. 		
Links to Somerset Health and Wellbeing Strategy	The JSNA summary for 2018 reflects the structure of the consultation draft of <i>Improving Lives – Somerset’s Health and Wellbeing Strategy</i> , and the evidence presented summarizes why the priorities have been chosen. The sub-county geographical units will allow analysis of need and resources at a level to promote partnership work and commissioning in localities.		
Financial, Legal and HR Implications:	None.		
Equalities Implications:	The JSNA and Health and Wellbeing Strategy <i>Improving Lives</i> pay due regard to protected groups to identify health and social inequalities within the Somerset population.		
Risk Assessment:	Any failure by commissioners to fully take into account the results of JSNAs when taking commissioning decisions across agencies is very likely to have detrimental impacts on service improvement and delivery and the reduction of inequalities.		

1. Background

- 1.1. Somerset’s JSNA and Somerset Intelligence webpages are regularly edited and kept up to date to support commissioning and policy making in the county. The web pages have been thoroughly reviewed to ensure that they include the latest

evidence for the *Improving Lives* strategy consultation period. The website makes up the large majority of JSNA material.

1.2. Rather than the usual thematic summary of the JSNA, focusing on a particular population group, this year's document is an overall summary, taking information collected as part of recent JSNAs, or published elsewhere on the website. This is the evidence that has been used in drawing out the priorities that appear in the *Improving Lives* strategy. It also shows how there are different needs in different parts of the county – which will be covered more explicitly later in the year in JSNA locality summaries.

1.3 The JSNA seeks to inform *Improving Lives – Somerset's Health and Wellbeing Strategy* under four headings:

- A productive, prosperous and sustainable County infrastructure
- Safe, vibrant and well-balanced communities
- Fairer life chances and opportunity for all
- Improved health and wellbeing and independent lives

1.4 Members of the Board have expressed a desire to develop further their joint work and commissioning in a place-based way. The proposed sub-county geographies provide a manageable, relatively consistent and relatively self-contained set of localities at which local need and opportunities for cooperation can be assessed and planned; the resulting patterns of locality *delivery* will take account of the analysis, but not necessarily follow the same boundaries. The approach is currently being tested, for West Somerset, in the Somerset Academy – bringing together commissioners from public and voluntary sector in the county.

2. Consultations undertaken

2.1 Feedback on the JSNA is continually sought and we will take account of any comments received as part of the *Improving Lives* consultation.

2.2 This draft report has been produced after extensive consultation with and through the JSNA Technical Working Group, and particularly from the workshop held with 45 representatives of 20 organizations at Cheddon Fitzpaine in December 2017. This workshop included considerable consultation on the proposed geographical boundaries, which were updated in consequence.

3. Implications

3.1. The Department of Health (DH) guidance suggests that commissioning plans of CCGs, NHS England and local authorities will be expected to be informed by relevant JSNAs and the health and wellbeing strategy. Where plans are not in line, the organisations could potentially be asked to explain why. The policy intention as cited by the DH is that *“local services which impact upon health and wellbeing will be based on evidence of local health and wellbeing needs and assets, including the views of the community; meaning that services and the way in which they are provided meet local needs.”*

4. Background papers

4.1 Appendix A - Draft JSNA summary, 'Background to Improving Lives 2019-29'.

4.2 Appendix B - Proposed sub-county planning boundaries for locality JSNA summaries and explanation.