

Joint Strategic Needs Assessment Update

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Consideration: **Information** **Discussion**
 Decision **Endorsement**

Please indicate to which priority in the Joint Local Health and Wellbeing Strategy, [Happier, Healthier Lives Strategy \(2022-2025\)](#) your report links to.

Start Well	Live Well	Age Well
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improving outcomes during maternity and early years	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reducing the rates of cardiovascular disease	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improving places and helping communities to support healthy ageing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improving mental health support for children and young people	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improving mental health support for adults particularly for those at greater risk of poor mental health	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improving mental health support for older people and reducing feelings of social isolation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reducing the prevalence of obesity in children and young people	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reducing the prevalence of obesity in adults	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increasing the physical activity of older people

1. Purpose of report

- 1.1. The Buckinghamshire Health and Wellbeing Board oversees the statutory requirement for Local Authorities and Integrated Care Boards to prepare a Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA). The purpose of the JSNA is to improve the health and wellbeing outcomes of the local community and reduce inequalities for all ages.
- 1.2. The JSNA is a core part of the information will be collected to support the Strategy, and it will allow partners to better understand local needs and ways to address these needs.
- 1.3. The purpose of this report is to update the Health and Wellbeing Board on the progress made on updating the local Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and the content being delivered over the next few months.

2. Recommendation to the Health and Wellbeing Board

- To note the progress on the JSNA over the last year.
- To agree the proposed topics for this financial year.
- To commit and agree to the delivery by all partners of new and updated JSNA content and priorities

3. Content of report

3.1. The role of the JSNA is to assess the current and future health, care and wellbeing needs of our local community to inform commissioning decisions with the aim of improving the health and wellbeing of residents and reducing inequalities. JSNAs are a joint responsibility of both Local Authorities and the local NHS (Integrated Care Boards), and they should focus on needs that can be addressed by these partners. This includes considering wider determinants of health, which are the broader social, economic, political and environmental factors that can affect health outcomes and assets, which are things that can enhance health and wellbeing and to help to reduce health inequalities. JSNAs should involve others including Healthwatch and the local community.

3.2. New content is added on an ongoing basis throughout each year. The Buckinghamshire JSNA Directory can be used to identify the range of content by topic. A JSNA is not one report, it includes a range of resources including:

- reports which look at specific topics providing recommendations and considerations for local commissioners
- summary reports on topics providing a snapshot for Buckinghamshire
- data profiles and interactive tools to enable the user to explore the data in more detail

3.3. The Health and Wellbeing Strategy for Buckinghamshire

The Joint Local Health and Wellbeing Strategy for 2022-2025 ('Happier, Healthier Lives') has three priority areas – Start Well, Live Well and Age Well.

The Buckinghamshire JSNA aligns with the 3 priorities to support the Strategy's action plan and provide a clear evidence base with the latest data available.

3.4. JSNA content has been delivered over the last twelve months, and more content is to be delivered over the next year. Appendix A sets out the content delivered in the last 12 months and the proposed topic areas for the coming year. The topics for this financial year have been agreed by members of the JSNA Development Group.

4. Next steps and review

4.1. Subject to Health and Wellbeing Board approval of the coming year's topics, the next steps are:

- Scope and deliver the proposed content
- Publish completed chapters on the JSNA webpages as and when these are signed off.

5. Background papers

5.1. Appendix A - Summary of work delivered in 2022/23 and the priority topics for 2023/24.