

# Health & Wellbeing Board

## Buckinghamshire

### Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire and Berkshire West Joint Forward Plan

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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

None of the above? Please clarify below:

Not Applicable.

## 1. Purpose of report

- 1.1. To describe the process for finalising the Joint Forward Plan and providing links to the plan documents to enable the Health and Wellbeing Board to provide a formal opinion on whether the Joint Forward Plan takes ‘proper account of the joint local health and wellbeing strategy’.

## 2. Recommendations to the Health and Wellbeing Board

- 2.1. Review the BOB joint forward plan documentation and consider its alignment to the priorities of the Buckinghamshire Health and Wellbeing Strategy
- 2.2. Provide a formal opinion on whether the Joint Forward Plan takes ‘proper account of the joint local health and wellbeing strategy’ as per the national guidance.

## 3. Executive summary

- 3.1. Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire and Berkshire West (BOB) Joint Forward Plan (JFP) describes how the Integrated Care Board (ICB) and partner NHS trusts are required to develop an annual, five year Joint forward Plan. This plan intends to balance delivery of the BOB Integrated Care Strategy ambitions with delivery of the other NHS commitments.
- 3.2. The plans have been developed jointly with BOB Integrated Care System (ICS) partners with input and feedback from wider system and public engagement, including input from local authority partners.
- 3.3. All the BOB Health and Wellbeing Boards are asked to provide comment on the JFP’s alignment to current health and wellbeing strategies through June 2023 – specifically whether the draft Joint Forward Plan takes proper account of each joint health and wellbeing strategy.
- 3.4. The JFP will be formally published by the end of June 2023.

## 4. Introducing the Joint Forward Plan

- 4.1. Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire and Berkshire West (BOB) Integrated Care Board (ICB) and its partner trusts are required to publish the first Joint Forward Plan (JFP) by 30 June 2023.
- 4.2. [National Guidance](#) sets out that at a minimum the JFP needs to describe how the ICB and partner NHS trusts “*intend to arrange and/or provide NHS services to meet their population’s physical and mental health needs. This should include the delivery of universal NHS commitments*”. Additionally, systems are encouraged to use the JFP to develop a shared delivery plan for the Integrated Care Strategy and the Joint Local Health and Wellbeing Strategies (JLHWS).

- 4.3. The Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire and Berkshire West JFP addresses these ambitions across our organisations and also recognises the value and importance of our partnerships with local authorities in the ongoing development and delivery of services for the benefit of the people and communities who live and work in our areas.
- 4.4. The JFP sets a rolling five-year ambition and will be updated annually before the beginning of each subsequent financial year.
- 4.5. There are two supporting documents with this paper:
- Appendix A: Joint Forward Plan Summary
  - Joint Forward Plan – [All documents and appendices](#)

## 5. Aligning to joint health and wellbeing strategies

- 5.1. As described in previous meetings with the Health and Wellbeing Board, the Joint Forward Plan has been developed specifically in response to the ambitions of the Integrated Care Strategy, signed off by the ICP in March 2023. The strategy was developed jointly by system partners, including local authority representatives, to reflect the needs of local populations as described in the local health and wellbeing strategies.
- 5.2. The Joint Forward Plan has subsequently been developed with further input from system partners to ensure these ambitions are reflected and local needs are taken into account.
- 5.3. The ICB and partner NHS trusts are asked to consult with Health and Wellbeing Boards on “*whether the draft takes proper account of each JLHWS [Joint health and wellbeing strategy] published by the health and wellbeing board that relates to any part of the period to which the JFP relates*”. The Health and Wellbeing Board must respond with its opinion and may also send that opinion to NHS England, telling the ICB and its partner trusts it has done so - see page 7 of national guidance (paragraph 4.2) on developing the Joint Forward Plan.
- 5.4. Our JFP, guided by the ambition set out in the Integrated Care Strategy, aligns with and builds on the local strategies, approaches and targets set out by our three local health and wellbeing strategies developed by the five Health and Wellbeing Boards across BOB.

We recognise that Buckinghamshire have set out key priorities in the joint local health and wellbeing strategy:

### Start well

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1. Improving outcomes during maternity and early years
2. Improving mental health support for children and young people
3. Reducing the prevalence of obesity in children and young people

### Live well

1. Reducing the rates of cardiovascular disease
2. Improving mental health support for adults, particularly for those at greater risk of poor mental health
3. Reducing the prevalence of obesity in adults

### Age well

1. Improving places and helping communities to support healthy ageing
2. Improving mental health support for older people and reducing feelings of social isolation
3. Increasing the physical activity of older people

5.5. We are confident that the BOB Joint Forward Plan takes into account these strategic priorities and are picked up in the service delivery plans aligned to the five themes of the Integrated Care Strategy – Promoting and Protecting Health, Start Well, Live Well, Age Well and Improving Quality and Access to services.

5.6. The table below sets out the alignment.

Buckinghamshire Health and Wellbeing Priorities	Mapping to the BOB Joint Forward Plan
<p>Start Well:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Reduce the differences in health between Improving outcomes during maternity and early years</li> <li>2. Improving mental health support for children and young people</li> <li>3. Reducing the prevalence of obesity in children and young people</li> </ol>	<p>Priorities 1 and 2 are addressed in the ‘Start Well’ strategic theme. This theme describes plans to deliver easily accessible services that support healthy children and families across diverse communities.</p> <p>The service delivery plans in the Joint Forward Plan have extensive detail regarding our ambition to continuously improve our maternity and neonatal services and outcomes and to improve children and young people’s mental health.</p> <p>Additionally, the JFP describes our ambition to work collaboratively to support children reach their early development milestones and to implement to recommendations of the ‘The Best Start for Life – a vision for the 1001 critical days’ report – particularly for those families living in the most deprived areas in each place.</p> <p>The Start Well theme also addresses our ambition to support and promote good mental health and wellbeing for children and young people across the BOB population. This includes plans to develop a population health approach to identify and support children and young</p>

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	<p>people most at risk of mental ill health focusing on early intervention, early support and prevention.</p> <p>Reducing levels of obesity is addressed in our first strategic theme 'Protecting and Promoting Health' specifically in the prevention service delivery plan there are targeted actions and ambition for supporting people reduce excess weight. We plan to work with partners to achieve a reduction in the proportion of people who are overweight or obese including children and young People'.</p>
<p><u>Live well</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Reducing the rates of cardiovascular disease</li> <li>2. Improving mental health support for adults, particularly for those at greater risk of poor mental health</li> <li>3. Reducing the prevalence of obesity in adults</li> </ol>	<p>Reducing the rates of cardiovascular disease is addressed in our strategic theme 'Live Well', notably in the Integrated Cardiac Delivery Network plan. Actions described in the Promote and Protect health theme will also have a material impact on CVD.</p> <p>Through the development of the JFP, we recognise the fundamental change in focus required, from a system based on treating illness to one that prioritises prevention and keeping people healthy in their communities. This includes plans for a strong focus on CVD prevention and early detection.</p> <p>Building on the priority described in the Start Well section, the JFP includes details on our collective ambition to support and promote good mental health and wellbeing across our populations. This is also addressed in the Live Well theme and specific service delivery plans. These plans aim to identify and support those at greatest risk of poor mental health, providing timely support for people in times of mental health crisis, building more resilient communities, and promoting more join up across the different support opportunities available.</p> <p>To reduce the prevalence of obesity in adults the service delivery plan focussed on prevention outlines specific actions and ambitions aimed at supporting healthy weight management, reducing excess weight and increasing physical activity rates. The JFP describe a commitment to working collaboratively with partners, particularly at Place level to support people and communities where obesity prevalence is high.</p>

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<p><u>Age well</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Improving places and helping communities to support healthy ageing</li> <li>2. Improving mental health support for older people and reducing feelings of social isolation</li> <li>3. Increasing the physical activity of older people</li> </ol>	<p>These priorities will be address in our ‘Age Well’ strategic theme.</p> <p>The JFP includes detail on our collective ambition to support more people to remain healthy, independent, and connected in their communities with a particular focus on identifying and supporting people who feel lonely or isolated and also helping people remain physically active for as long as possible – recognising the value this has on people’s physical and mental health and wellbeing.</p> <p>The JFP also commits to providing proactive and targeted support to those whose health, care and support needs are becoming more complex, and requiring more intensive support.</p> <p>The plans recognise the importance of working across the ICS partnerships to provide this support, particularly linking with local authorities and providers from the voluntary, community and social enterprise sectors.</p>

5.7. Additional information on how the Joint Forward Plan aligns to the ambition of the Integrated Care Strategy can be found in the JFP supporting documents. These provide details of how the service delivery plans correspond to the ambitions of the Strategy.

## 6. Recommendation:

The Health and Wellbeing Board is asked to:

- 6.1. Review the BOB Joint Forward Plan documentation and consider its alignment to the priorities of the Buckinghamshire Health and Wellbeing Strategy
- 6.2. Provide a formal opinion on whether the Joint Forward Plan takes ‘proper account of the joint local health and wellbeing strategy’ as per the national guidance.

## 7. Next steps and review

7.1. The Joint Forward Plan will be finalised for publication by 30th June 2023.

## 8. Background papers

- 8.1. There are two supporting documents with this paper:
  - Appendix A: Joint Forward Plan Summary
  - Joint Forward Plan – [All documents and appendices](#)