

AGENDA ITEM

REPORT TO CABINET

25 November 2009

**REPORT OF CORPORATE
MANAGEMENT TEAM**

CABINET DECISION

**Adult Services & Health – Lead Cabinet Member – Councillor Mrs McCoy
Children and Young People – Lead Cabinet Member – Councillor Alex Cunningham**

JOINT STRATEGIC NEEDS ASSESSMENT

1. Summary

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2. Recommendation

Cabinet are recommended to receive the JSNA summary and note its linkage to the key strategies and plans that support delivery of the Sustainable Community Strategy.

3. Reasons for the Recommendations/Decision(s)

To note the role of the JSNA in providing an assessment of the future planning needs for health, care and well being and the impact this has on the way Stockton develops over time.

4. Members' Interests

Members (including co-opted Members with voting rights) should consider whether they have a personal interest in the item as defined in the Council's code of conduct (**paragraph 8**) and, if so, declare the existence and nature of that interest in accordance with paragraph 9 of the code.

Where a Member regards him/herself as having a personal interest in the item, he/she must then consider whether that interest is one which a member of the public, with knowledge of the relevant facts, would reasonably regard as so significant that it is likely to prejudice the Member's judgement of the public interest (**paragraphs 10 and 11 of the code of conduct**).

A Member with a prejudicial interest in any matter must withdraw from the room where the meeting considering the business is being held -

- in a case where the Member is attending a meeting (including a meeting of a select committee) but only for the purpose of making representations, answering questions or giving evidence, provided the public are also allowed to attend the meeting for the same

purpose whether under statutory right or otherwise, immediately after making representations, answering questions or giving evidence as the case may be;

- in any other case, whenever it becomes apparent that the business is being considered at the meeting;

and must not exercise executive functions in relation to the matter and not seek improperly to influence the decision about the matter (**paragraph 12 of the Code**).

Further to the above, it should be noted that any Member attending a meeting of Cabinet, Select Committee etc; whether or not they are a Member of the Cabinet or Select Committee concerned, must declare any personal interest which they have in the business being considered at the meeting (unless the interest arises solely from the Member's membership of, or position of control or management on any other body to which the Member was appointed or nominated by the Council, or on any other body exercising functions of a public nature, when the interest only needs to be declared if and when the Member speaks on the matter), and if their interest is prejudicial, they must also leave the meeting room, subject to and in accordance with the provisions referred to above.

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DETAIL

1. Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) is a process that Primary Care Trusts (PCTs) and Local Authorities have a duty to work on together to describe the health, wellbeing and care needs of the populations they serve. It should be used to develop the right services in the right way to meet those needs. This process is part of a 'duty to cooperate' that the government set out in the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act (2007).
2. Undertaking needs assessments has long been integral to the strategic planning and commissioning of services in the Council, the PCT, and other partners we work with. Analysis of many sources of information underpins the whole range of plans and strategies that inform the work of the Local Strategic Partnership. What makes JSNA different is that:
 - a) it is a statutory requirement.
 - b) it must be done jointly between the local authority and PCT.
 - c) it takes a long-term strategic-level view, looking up to 10 years ahead.
 - d) it brings together, for the first time in one source, the range of information across partners that informs the health and wellbeing needs of our communities.
3. The purpose of this Joint Strategic Needs Assessment is to highlight the main health and wellbeing priorities for Stockton-on-Tees, taking account of data and information on inequalities within and between communities. It has been prepared by the Health & Wellbeing Management Team on behalf of the Health & Wellbeing Partnership, the thematic group of the Local Strategic Partnership with representation from a wide range of local partners, which will have a key role in ensuring that the JSNA is used effectively to support the delivery of a health and wellbeing strategy for the Stockton-on-Tees area.
4. This is the second Joint Strategic Needs Assessment which has built on the process undertaken last year. There has been further analysis undertaken that meets the requirements of the PCT's World Class Commissioning competencies including additional benchmarking,

more recent data updates and ward based analysis. There have been additional sections included in the document this year to reflect the specific needs and priorities of particular groups including learning disabilities, alcohol and drugs.

5. The JSNA has involved a range of stakeholders who have had an opportunity to comment and contribute to the document development; however, much of the document is a synthesis of priorities and issues which have been identified via specific consultation routes.
6. An important benefit of the JSNA is that it provides an opportunity to look ahead over the long-term – at least three to five years, and longer still – so that:
 - a) services are shaped by involvement of local people and communities.
 - b) inequalities in health are reduced.
 - c) health care is provided in proportion to need (to reduce inequity).
 - d) social inclusion is increased.
 - e) these outcomes are achieved cost-effectively.
7. The JSNA will be an integral part of the planning cycle for all involved so that it continues to inform key strategic priorities for the health and wellbeing of our area, and supports delivery of the Local Area Agreement, the PCT's Vital Signs agreement, and partners' business planning processes.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

8. There are no financial implications arising directly from this report. The priorities arising from the JSNA will contribute to future service planning, prioritisation, and budget decisions of the Council, PCT and partners, so that financial resources can be targeted most effectively at needs.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

9. The Joint Strategic Needs Assessment is part of the 'duty to cooperate' as set out in the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007. The production and approval of this document meets the requirements of the Act.

RISK ASSESSMENT

10. Not applicable

COMMUNITY STRATEGY IMPLICATIONS

11. The JSNA impacts across all the themes of the Sustainable Community Strategy, as shown in the attached summary document.

EQUALITIES IMPACT ASSESSMENT

12. Not applicable

CONSULTATION INCLUDING WARD/COUNCILLORS

13. The JSNA itself is a compilation of feedback from service users, carers and stakeholders and synthesises the feedback various consultation and involvement structures, A consultation event was held on the 6 November where members of the Partnership were invited which included representation from area partnership board and Councillors.

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Background Papers

- Department of Health Guidance on Joint Strategic Needs Assessment
http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Publications/PublicationsPolicyAndGuidance/DH_081097
- Creating Strong, Safe and Prosperous Communities: Statutory Guidance
<http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/localgovernment/strongsafeprosperous>
- Joint Strategic Needs Assessment technical document
<http://www.teespublichealth.nhs.uk/page.aspx?id=2025&siteID=1012>

Ward(s) and Ward Councillors:

The JSNA documents are in the public domain and available to all Councillors for information.

Property

The report does not have implications in relation to the Council's property.