

# Staffordshire Health and Wellbeing Board – 05 September 2019 Director of Public Health Annual Report Recommendations

#### Recommendations

The Board is asked to:

a. Endorse the recommendations and agree the actions set out under paragraph 2.

### **Background**

- 1. The Director of Public Health (DPH) Annual Report is part of the statutory duties of the DPH and is intended to highlight key local health and care issues. The 2019 Report is about digital technologies and focuses on opportunities to use these to improve health and well-being and health and care services. The report explores the evidence and the likely population impact if the technologies were implemented, and makes a number of recommendations. This short paper outlines how the Board might start to respond.
- 2. Following the presentation of the 2019 Director of Public Health Annual Report at the June Board, it was agreed that we reflect on the recommendations and consider how the Board supports implementation. The following table lists some recommendations and actions for the Board.

Recommendation	Health and Well-being Board actions
R1. Superfast Staffordshire should continue to expand physical infrastructure such as access to broadband.	Board to write to Darryl Eyers to highlight the role of physical infrastructure for digital technologies in improving health and well-being and ask for an update on rollout.
R2. Staffordshire County Council, alongside relevant adult education and skills partners promote awareness of education and training opportunities to help residents develop basic digital skills.	Board to write to relevant Cabinet Member to ask that the Council promote awareness of education and training opportunities to help residents develop basic digital skills, along with details of how this will be achieved.
R3. Staffordshire Health and Wellbeing Board should take a lead in increasing public awareness of health and care digital technologies to help them improve health and wellbeing or better self-manage their condition.	Board to run a campaign for Supportive Communities including the role of digital information, advice and guidance.
R4. Staffordshire NHS and Staffordshire	Board to write to NHS provider trusts



County Council should provide continuous learning and tools for the health and care workforce to enable them to develop the skills and knowledge to 'digitally prescribe' where there is a good evidence base.	and the Council to ask that they provide continuous learning and tools for the health and care workforce along with details of how this will be achieved.
R5. Staffordshire County Council and Staffordshire NHS should promote digital IAG to support people to live healthier and longer lives. ORCHA should be used as a resource to help individuals and front-line	Board to write to the Council and NHS provider trusts to ask that they promote digital IAG along with details of how this will be achieved.
staff to access a range of applications that have been graded for their suitability and effectiveness.	Board to support development of a 'toolbox' that incorporates information about ORCHA, digital information, advice and guidance, Assistive Technology and Telecare.
R6. Staffordshire NHS should promote use of the NHS app to help people manage their primary care online.	Board to write to STP digital lead asking for short report about how the NHS will promote the use of the NHS app to help people manage their primary care online, and details about coverage currently and anticipated.
R7. Staffordshire NHS should promote the use of applications such as MyCOPD to help people manage long-term conditions where there is good evidence that they are effective - and invest in them where there is good evidence that they are cost saving.	Board to write to STP digital lead asking for short report about how the NHS will promote applications to help people manage long-term conditions, and details about coverage currently and anticipated.
R8. Staffordshire NHS should roll out flash glucose monitors and insulin pumps for eligible diabetic people, in line with NHS policy and NICE guidelines.	Board to write to CCGs to ask for details about current and anticipated use of flash glucose monitors and insulin pumps.
R9. Staffordshire NHS through the STP digital workstream should keep abreast of developments with other biometric monitoring and implantable drug delivery devices and introduce these into clinical practice as evidence emerges to demonstrate their effectiveness and cost-effectiveness.	Board to write to STP digital lead asking for short report about how the NHS keeps abreast of these developments and any plans for introducing biometric monitoring and implantable drug delivery devices.
R10. The Health and Wellbeing Board should ask for a report on the Staffordshire	Board to write to STP digital lead asking for short report about the



Integrated Care Record as it is rolled out to examine the benefits and costs.	Integrated Care Record.
R11. Staffordshire NHS, through the STP digital workstream, should ensure that GP telemedicine is thoroughly evaluated as it is rolled out.	Board to write to STP digital lead asking for short report about the roll out of GP telemedicine.
R12. Staffordshire NHS, through the STP digital workstream should explore opportunities to roll out teledermatology and teleradiology, within a properly regulated framework to ensure good standards of care.	Board to write to STP digital lead asking for short report about NHS plans for introducing teledermatology and teleradiology.
R13. Staffordshire NHS should roll out online CBT to expand access for people with depression and anxiety in line with NICE guidelines.	Board to write to CCGs to ask for details about current and anticipated access to online CBT.
R14. Staffordshire maternity services and health visitors should promote the use of Breastfeeding Friend to support women to initiate and sustain breastfeeding.	Board to write to UHNM to ask that they promote the use of Breastfeeding Friend along with details of how this will be achieved.
R15. The Health and Wellbeing Board should promote telecare and assistive technology and signpost people to useful devices.	Board to run a campaign for Supportive Communities including the role of telecare and assistive technology.
R16. The Health and Wellbeing Board should monitor the national evidence base for assistive technology and telecare and encourage local providers to participate in evaluation of telecare and assistive technology.	Board to sponsor a workshop for providers to highlight the opportunities from assistive technology and telecare.
R17. Staffordshire County Council and Staffordshire NHS should consider the role that robots might play in provision of care and should future-proof new facilities so that robots can be introduced as the technology matures.	Board to write to STP estates lead asking for assurance that the role of robots has been considered in the design of new facilities.

List of Background Documents/Appendices:



#### None

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