

## **Staffordshire Health and Wellbeing Board – 07 March 2024**

### **Joint Forward Plan**

#### **Recommendations**

The Board is asked to:

- a. Note the JFP guidance that was published on the 22nd of December 2023 and 17th of January 2024.
- b. Receive and endorse the outline / strawman of the Addendum to the Joint Forward Plan.
- c. Agree to receiving the draft Addendum to the Joint Forward Plan virtually.
- d. To formally approve the decision, to delegate to the Chair the sign off, of the JFP for the Health and Wellbeing Board to meet the NHSE timeframes of the beginning of the next financial year.

#### **Background**

1. All Integrated Care Systems (ICS) were expected to produce three key outputs in 2023:
  - a. Integrated Care Partnership Strategy
  - b. Operational Plan for 2023/24
  - c. Joint Forward Plan for 2023/24-2028/29

#### **Joint Forward Plan – National Guidance and Local Principles**

2. The JFP is a five-year plan, set within a statutory framework. In line with the Health and Care Act 2022, the Integrated Care Board (ICB) must develop a JFP which sets out the vision for the next 5 years.
3. It will be updated on an annual basis in collaboration with local Health and Wellbeing Boards (HWB).
4. It should not duplicate supporting strategic plans but refer to them where relevant.
5. It should be a delivery mechanism for the initial Integrated Care Partnership Strategy and national priorities as defined by NHS planning guidance.
6. Be co-ordinated through the ICB and co-produced with partners, providers, stakeholders and the systems delivery and enabling portfolios.

## Overview of Content

7. The JFP outlines how the ICB will support the delivery of the ambitions articulated in the ICP Strategy. The document structure aims to reflect:
  - a) Introduction, outlining who we are and our vision and aims.
  - b) Why we need a Joint Forward Plan, outlining some of the key challenges we face.
  - c) How will we work differently to achieve our priorities, outlining our operating model, leadership and governance frameworks.
  - d) Our Portfolios and Priorities. This section outlines commitments, ambitions and priorities against aligned to the ICB 7 Portfolios and 8 key focus areas covering:
    - Improving Population Health
    - Planned care
    - Children & Young People and Maternity
    - Urgent and Emergency Care
    - End of Life, Long-Term Conditions and Frailty
    - Primary Care
    - Mental Health, Learning Disabilities and Autism
  - e) Our Finance strategy and the challenges across the Health and Care Sector.
  - f) Our enablers to success, which covers a wider range of functions that are integral to the delivery of our priorities eg our workforce, digital and estates.
  - g) Ways of working / cross cutting themes, covering areas such as the Greener Plan, Personalised Care, Continuing Healthcare and our approach to Working in Partnership with People and Communities.
  - h) Wider Strategic System Development, focusing particularly on the ongoing development of the ICB.

## JFP Refresh

8. All systems are required to undertake an annual refresh of the JFP. This is intended to include any new guidance and the outputs of public and stakeholder feedback, such as the JFP survey which concluded in August 2023 and any refresh to local JSNA's and HWB priorities.
9. The guidance including recommendations for considerations by local systems was published on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of December and 17<sup>th</sup> of January 2024.
10. A draft addendum to the Joint Forward Plan is in development and is required to be considered by the Staffordshire Health and Wellbeing Board before the 31<sup>st</sup> March to allow for publication within NHSE timeframes.

11. The statement of agreement for the JFP by the Health and Wellbeing Board requires a refresh and sign off by the Board or delegated authority to the Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board.

### **Next Steps**

12. Opportunity for feedback from the HWB about the approach and strawman of the JFP.

13. Continue to work with portfolios and partners to finalise the JFP.

14. Present draft JFP to Health and Wellbeing Boards for feedback and sign off.

15. Present draft JFP to ICB Board for feedback and sign off.

16. Publish addendum to the JFP.

### **List of Background Documents:**

Guidance on Developing the Joint Forward Plan, published 22.12.23 [NHS England » Guidance on developing the joint forward plan](#)

Full copy of the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Joint Forward Plan published 30.06.23.

[Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Joint Forward Plan 2023-2028 - Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent, Integrated Care Board \(icb.nhs.uk\)](#)

Summary of the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Joint Forward Plan. [Joint Forward Plan 2023-2028 Summary \(icb.nhs.uk\)](#)

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