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Title of meeting:	Health and Wellbeing Board
Subject:	Next steps to integrated care systems
Date of meeting:	3 rd February 2021
Report by:	Chief Executive, Portsmouth City Council
Wards affected:	All

1. Requested by

Chair, Health and Wellbeing Board

2. Purpose

- 2.1 To update the Health and Wellbeing Board on recent consultation document "Integrated Care - Next Steps to building a strong and effective integrated care system across England" and the response sent on behalf of Health and Care Portsmouth.

3. Background

- 3.1 In November, the NHS launched a consultation document, "Integrated Care - Next Steps to building a strong and effective integrated care system across England" describing how integrated care systems (ICSs) could be embedded in legislation and guidance and seeking views on two options for taking this forward. Whilst the scale of an ICS can vary widely in population and geography, for Portsmouth the ICS is the Hampshire and Isle of Wight footprint with a population of circa 2m.
- 3.2 The document anticipates that from April 2021, all parts of the health and care system will work together as an Integrated Care System. The paper notes that many commissioning functions are now **coterminous with ICS boundaries**, and this will need to be consistent across the country before April 2022. Under the legislative provisions recommended in the document, current CCG functions would subsequently be absorbed to become core ICS business.
- 3.3 The document describes how integrated care systems and their constituent organisations will be expected to accelerate **collaborative ways of working** in future; create stronger **partnerships in local places** between the NHS, local government and others with a more central role for primary care in providing joined-up care; where **provider organisations** will create formal collaborative arrangements that allow them to operate at scale; and strategic **commissioning** will be done across systems with a focus on population health outcomes. The

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paper references a greater role for the use of **digital and data** to drive system working, connect health and care providers, improve outcomes and put the citizen at the heart of their own care.

- 3.3 The document also describes options for giving ICSs a firmer footing in **legislation** likely to take affect from April 2022 (subject to Parliamentary decision). NHS England and NHS Improvement invited views on the proposals from all interested individuals and organisations by Friday 8 January.

4. Response from Health and Care Portsmouth

4.1 A number of organisations locally have sent responses to the consultation document or have contributed to responses sent by other groups. In Portsmouth, a collaborative response was sent on behalf of Health and Care Portsmouth, over the signature of the co-Chairs of the Health and Well-Being Board. Key points from the response are:

- Support for the general principles set out in the consultation document, particularly the principle of subsidiarity and the recognition of the importance of place-based care and deeper integration of agencies
- Commitment from Health and Care Portsmouth to engage fully at all appropriate levels of the system, including at the HIOW and Portsmouth and South East Hampshire system geographies
- Willingness to share examples and experiences to help develop the place-based models
- Support for the importance of the 'place' (described in the paper as aligning to the local authority geography) as a building block for local systems, and the understanding of local populations and their issues that this brings
- Highlighting the importance of Health and Wellbeing Boards in any future models.

4.2 The overarching message is that whilst the partners operating in the city are all open to the new proposals, it is important that any evolution of operating models does not destabilise the strength of collaboration and the strong integration in Portsmouth.

4.3 The full response is attached at Appendix 1. It was not possible to bring this to the Board ahead of the deadline set by NHS.

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Signed by David Williams, Chief Executive, Portsmouth City Council

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Appendices

Appendix 1 - Health and Care Portsmouth response to "Integrated Care".

Background list of documents: Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972

The following documents disclose facts or matters, which have been relied upon to a material extent by the author in preparing this report:

Title of document	Location