

Agenda item:

Title of meeting: Cabinet / Full Council

Date of meeting: 6th November / 11th November 2014

Subject: **Joint business planning process across strategic partnerships and approval of latest partnership strategies**

Report From: Chief Executive

Report by: Matthew Gummerson, Principal Strategy Adviser

Wards affected: All

Key decision: No

Full Council decision: Yes

1. Purpose

- 1.1 To briefly explain the background to the three key strategic partnerships and their strategy development processes.
- 1.2 To inform Cabinet of the joint business planning process that has been agreed across the Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB), the Safer Portsmouth Partnership (SPP) and the Children's Trust Board (CTB).
- 1.3 To seek Cabinet's endorsement of the associated strategies that have been agreed by those partnerships.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 **Cabinet are recommended to note the process that has been developed to ensure effective joint work between the three strategic partnerships (HWB, CTB and SPP)**
- 2.2 **Cabinet are asked to recommend to Full Council that they endorse the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy, Safer Portsmouth Plan and Children's Trust Plan priorities as approved by the respective strategic partnerships.**

3. Background

- 3.1 Portsmouth has a long and successful history of partnership working. The SPP and the CTB have been leading their respective multi-agency agendas on behalf of the city for over a decade. The HWB was created as a statutory partnership and committee of the council from 2013/14. Its emergence coincided with the removal of previous requirements around things such as Local Strategic Partnerships (LSPs) and Local Area Agreements (LAAs), and the local picture has evolved to reflect that. It also reflects the reorganisation of the health service including the transfer of public health responsibilities to the city council.
- 3.2 In Portsmouth the three partnerships (HWB, SPP and CTB) work alongside one another to address key local needs. The big picture of local need is presented in the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA). This includes the detailed SPP Strategic Assessment and the Children's Needs Assessment.
- 3.3 The council and the Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) - via the HWB - have a statutory duty to oversee the production of the JSNA and to agree a Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy (JHWS) to address the needs identified therein.
- 3.4 The council (via the community safety partnership) is required to produce a strategic assessment of crime and disorder, anti-social behaviour, reducing re-offending and drug and alcohol misuse and to develop local strategies that deal with the issues raised by it. Councils and their partners also have a duty to promote cooperation with partners to improve children and young people's health and wellbeing through a Children's Trust Board. Partner agencies, and the city council, have invested considerable energy, commitment and financial resource over the years to develop and deliver the work set out in the SPP and CTB's respective strategies.
- 3.5 Each partnership agrees its own strategies. The council is represented on each of the three partnerships by the appropriate Cabinet portfolio holders, colleagues within the administration and representatives of opposition groups. They are supported by the relevant Directors and other officers as required.

4. Joint Process

- 4.1 Following discussions within the council, the three partnerships agreed an aligned approach to developing and agreeing their strategies during 2013. The key features include:
- 4.1.1 A shared picture of local needs through the JSNA, led by public health but supported across the council and by partners.
- 4.1.2 A shared research and knowledge programme underpinning the JSNA, building on the success of the SPP's research programme which partners on the SPP jointly fund.

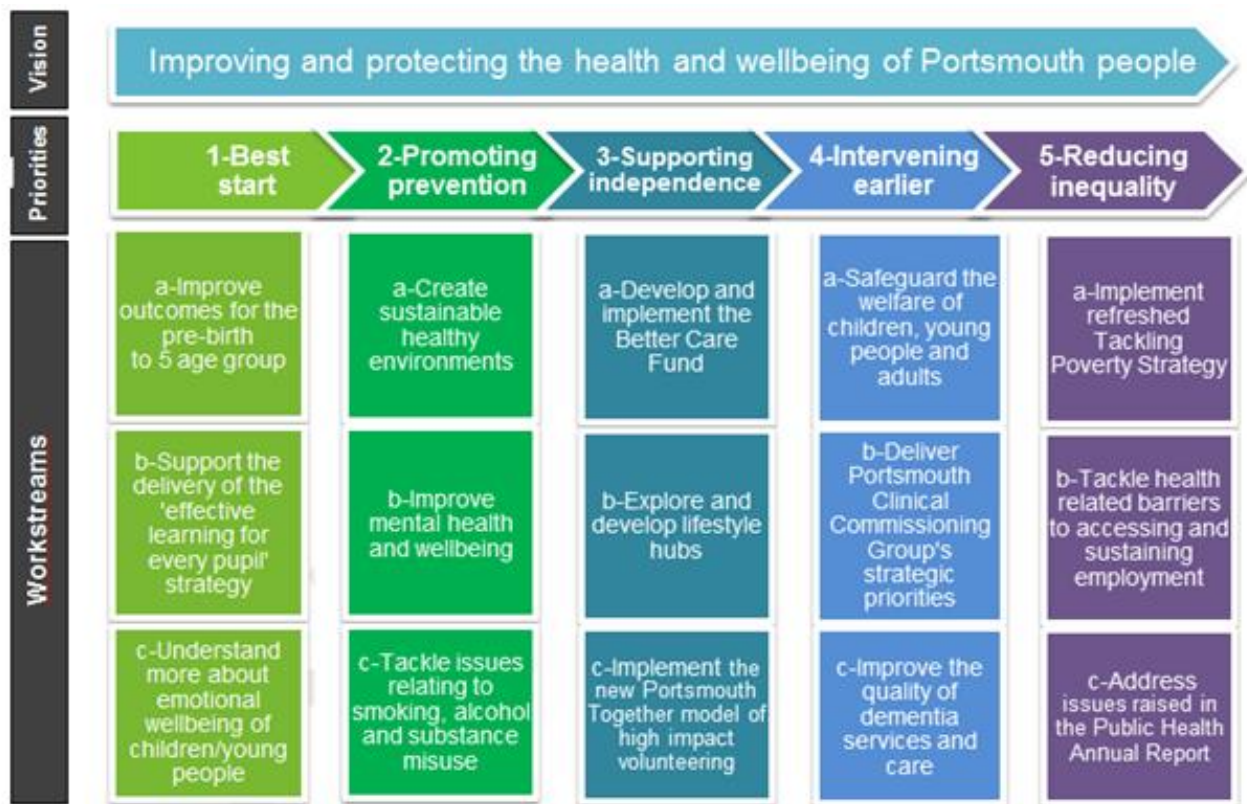
- 4.1.3 Three year cycle of evidence-based priority setting with agreed processes for managing any potential overlaps or gaps between the three strategies.
- 4.2 The Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy and the Children's Trust Plan have both been refreshed this year and now cover 2014 to 2017.
- 4.3 The Safer Portsmouth Plan had already been agreed to cover 2013 to 2018 and produced annually refreshed delivery plans including progress towards the five year aims.

5. Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy (JHWS) 2014-2017

5.1 The HWB approved its new three year strategy in September 2014. The JHWS attempts to address the wide breadth of issues that impact on local people's health and wellbeing, as set out in the JSNA. It can be read in full at <https://www.portsmouth.gov.uk/ext/documents-external/hlth-jhwellbeingstrategy2014-17.pdf>.

5.1 The JHWS includes within it areas that are led by other strategic partnerships (alcohol and substance misuse by the SPP, 0-5 and school improvement by the CTB) where these are significant drivers of health and wellbeing across the city. It is explicit that these issues continue to be led by those other partnerships, in order to avoid duplication of effort.

5.2 The priority themes and workstreams are as follows:



6. Safer Portsmouth Partnership Plan 2013-2018

- 6.1 The SPP produced a five year plan in 2013 that reflects the priorities identified in the strategic assessment update 2012. Approval was provided by Cabinet in March 2013. These priorities are translated into six themes;
- i. Reduce the harm caused by **domestic violence and abuse** by providing better support and enforcement services that will encourage more people to come forward earlier to report this and other hidden crime
 - ii. Reduce incidents of **anti-social behaviour** by working with whole families and focusing enforcement activity on the things that matter most to local people
 - iii. Reduce **alcohol related violence** across the city by continuing to work with licensees and the Portsmouth Business Crime Reduction Partnership in order to achieve Purple Flag¹ status by 2018
 - iv. Reduce the harm caused by **drugs and alcohol** by improving prevention activity and treatment services so that more people get the help they need at the right time
 - v. Work with Portsmouth Children's Trust to **reduce youth offending**, diverting young people away from crime and working with the whole family
 - vi. Provide well co-ordinated and effective support for offenders leaving prison, helping them to turn their lives around and **reduce the level of re-offending**.
- 6.2 The SPP will undertake a full strategic assessment in 2015/16 to inform development of a new Safer Portsmouth Plan in April 2017 on the same three-yearly cycle as the HWB and CTB. The 2013 - 2018 Plan can be accessed at http://www.saferportsmouth.org.uk/files/1213/6604/1137/SPP_Strategy_2013-18_for_SPP_Website_March_2013.pdf

7. Children's Trust Board Plan 2014-2017

- 7.1 The priorities for the 2014-2017 Children's Trust Plan were approved in February 2014. The report setting out these priorities is available at <https://www.portsmouth.gov.uk/ext/documents-external/cou-childrenstrustplan-report2014-2017-0514.pdf>. The Children's Trust has been developing and delivering a strategic plan for children in the city since 2003. The new set of priorities has undergone only minor changes since the last strategy approved in 2011.
- 7.2 There are three key differences since the 2011-2014 plan;
- a) A specific multi-agency strategy to reduce the numbers of 16 - 18 year olds who are Not in Education, Employment of Training (Priority D)

¹ National standard similar to 'Blue Flag' but for the evening economy

- b) A fully re-written Prevention and Early Help Strategy to reflect the growing importance of the cross-age Healthy Child Programme and the urgent need to reduce the rising numbers of children requiring statutory intervention from Children's Social Care.
- c) A set of cross-cutting themes to improve the join-up of the seven strategies including reducing child neglect, tackling child poverty and reducing demand for high-tier expensive services.

7.3 The seven priorities are;

Priority A - Develop and implement the pre-birth to 5 support pathway

Priority B - Improve services for families with multiple problems

Priority C - Improve educational outcomes for school-age children

Priority D - Improve post-16 participation and educational progress

Priority E - Improve prevention and early help

Priority F - Improve outcomes for Looked After Children

Priority G - Improve services for children with special educational needs and disabilities

7.4 The priorities and outcomes for the Children's Trust Board Plan have been agreed, with the final plan due to be presented to the Board later in 2014 once the underpinning strategies are finalised.

8. Reasons for recommendations

8.1 Cabinet and Full Council are recommended to support the better alignment of key strategic approaches set out in this report. It should lead to more efficient and effective allocation and use of resources by supporting joint planning and reductions in duplication between partnerships.

8.2 Cabinet and Full Council are recommended to endorse the three partnership strategies that have already been agreed by multi-agency and multi-sector partnerships chaired by the respective Cabinet portfolio holders. The strategies support the council to fulfil its statutory duties with regard to partnership work around health and wellbeing, community safety and children and young people, and should improve outcomes for local people. Copies of the full strategies will be made available to all Members via the group rooms.

9. Equality Impact Assessments (EIA)

9.1 Full EIAs have been completed on the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy and the Safer Portsmouth Plan and a preliminary EIA will be completed on the Children's Trust Plan to assess whether a full assessment is required given that the priorities have rolled forward from the previous version.

10. Head of Legal's comments

10.1 There are no legal comments to this report save that the Constitution allows upon adoption of the recommendations for the decision making to remain with the Council as a matter of local choice.

11. Head of Finance's comments

11.1 There are no financial implications arising directly from the recommendations contained within this report.

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Appendices:

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

The recommendation(s) set out above were approved/ approved as amended/ deferred/ rejected by on

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