

North Somerset Council

REPORT TO THE HEALTH OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL

DATE OF MEETING: 12TH DECEMBER 2016

SUBJECT OF REPORT: CONSULTATION VERSION OF THE PEOPLE AND COMMUNITIES STRATEGY, 2017-2020

TOWN OR PARISH: ALL

OFFICER/MEMBER PRESENTING: NATALIE FIELD, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH

KEY DECISION: CONSULTATION FEEDBACK INVITED

RECOMMENDATIONS

The views of members of the HOSP are invited on the consultation draft of the People and Communities Strategy 2017-2020. All comments will be reviewed and collated by the Officer Support Team for the Board to agree final changes to the strategy at its meeting in January 2017.

1. SUMMARY OF REPORT

The People and Communities Board provides systems leadership and shared decision making to improve the health, wellbeing and safety of all North Somerset residents. The People and Communities Strategy provides an opportunity for Board members to agree its priorities and to develop collaborative working between partner agencies.

The strategy brings together actions requiring the greatest attention, focusing on the things that can be done together that will make the biggest difference. It also includes details of how success can be measured and what impacts and outcomes will be achieved. It does not seek to capture all the activities that are taking place in relation to the priority areas.

2. POLICY

The People and Communities Board is responsible for:

- Identifying shared strategic priorities in order to produce a Joint Health & Wellbeing Strategy and encourage closer partnership working (Health & Social Care Act 2012).
- Reducing crime and disorder, substance misuse and re-offending through production of a Community Safety Strategic Assessment and Plan (Crime and Disorder Act 1998 and subsequent amendments).
- Identifying and addressing the needs of children, young people and their families and producing a Child Poverty Strategy (Child Poverty Act 2010). A separate Child Poverty Strategy is produced and is updated through the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) process. The P&C Strategy also includes actions to improve the life chances of Children and Young People.

The JSNA provides the strategic assessment of population needs for these three partnership areas.

3. DETAILS

3.1 Background

This draft strategy has been developed based on a review of the previous People and Communities Strategy, information from the local Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) <http://www.n-somerset.gov.uk/my-council/statistics-data/jsna/joint-strategic-needs-assessment/>, feedback from Board members and an engagement workshop with Board members and key partner organisations.

3.2 The Issues

The strategy also sets out the principles which determine the Board's priorities. The following four principles were used to guide the development of the strategy:

- Prevention, self-care and promoting independence
- Reducing inequalities
- Partnership working
- Effectiveness and evaluation

A presentation was made to the People and Communities Board on 4th July 2016 which covered the priority area summarised below. Partners were then asked to explore themes in workshop discussions. The gap in outcomes between population groups was a key area of concern for many Board members. This is reflected throughout the themes, with the Board asked to pay particular attention to this aspect through their performance monitoring and oversight of the strategy implementation. The priority themes are:

Priority theme 1. Enabling the best start in life - *enabling children and young people to thrive and develop skills to lead healthy lives and achieve their full potential*

Priority theme 2. Adding life to years and years to life - *creating the right conditions to facilitate healthy lifestyles, enabling good quality lives to be enjoyed for longer*

Priority theme 3. Ageing well - *enabling people to maintain independence, live longer, good quality lives, with access to appropriate care and support when needed*

Priority theme 4. Enabling communities to thrive – *Enabling people to live safe, healthy and independent lives*

A draft version of the People and Communities Strategy was taken to the P&C Board in September, revisions were suggested and were made by the P&C Officer Support Group.

4. CONSULTATION

A range of professional stakeholders were involved in developing the draft strategy.

HOSP is invited to comment on the draft during this phase of key stakeholder consultation which opened in November through the Council's eConsult site and closes on 12th December 2016. The consultation draft strategy together with a questionnaire to gather responses is available here: <http://consult.n-somerset.gov.uk/consult.ti/PCstrategy1720/consultationHome>

The draft strategy and the consultation questions are also appended (appendix A and B) for consideration by HOSP members.

As an alternative to responding through eConsult, HOSP members can send comments to the Officer Support Team via pcboard@n-somerset.gov.uk.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The strategy aims to increase partnership working on key priority areas in order to make more efficient use of public sector resources. A modest allocation is proposed in order to produce the strategy in other formats such as large font in order to enable access.

6. RISK MANAGEMENT

Providers will be expected to provide exception reports to the Board where significant challenges or barrier to progressing priority actions are experienced.

7. EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

None as yet identified. A full Equality Impact Assessment is being carried out during the consultation period.

8. CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS

The Board has been asked to consider facilitating the performance monitoring of the strategy implementation through the North Somerset Council Business Intelligence Team.

9. OPTIONS CONSIDERED

N/A

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BACKGROUND PAPERS

A - Consultation Draft: North Somerset People & Communities Strategy, 2017-2020
B - People and Communities Strategy Consultation Questions