

North Somerset Health & Wellbeing Board

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Title of report: NHS Long Term Plan Response
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1. Purpose of report

The purpose of this report is to update the North Somerset Health & Wellbeing Board on the status of the Bristol, North Somerset & South Gloucestershire five year system plan in response to the NHS Long Term Plan.

2. Recommendations

The North Somerset Health & Wellbeing Board is asked to note and comment on the contents of the paper and agree that the Chair supports the final submission on its behalf at the STP Partnership Board on the 15th November.

3. Details

- 3.1 In June 2018, the Prime Minister announced a new five-year funding settlement for the NHS: a 3.4 per cent average real-terms annual increase in NHS England's budget between 2019/20 and 2023/24 (a £20.5 billion increase over the period). To unlock this funding, national NHS bodies were asked to develop a long-term plan for the service. The resulting document, the NHS long-term plan, was published on 7 January 2019¹.
- 3.2 The plan builds on the policy platform laid out in the *NHS five year forward view* (Forward View) which articulated the need to integrate care to meet the needs of a changing population. In line with the Forward View and the *General practice forward view*, improving care outside hospitals is one of the headline commitments in the plan. The plan backs this goal with money: by 2023/24, funding for primary and community care will be at least £4.5 billion higher than in 2019/20 – ensuring that their share of NHS spending increases over the period¹.
- 3.3 In June 2019, NHS England and Improvement issued the NHS Long Term Plan Implementation Framework setting out the approach Sustainability & Transformation Partnerships (STPs) / Integrated Care Systems (ICSs) are

¹ The NHS Long Term Plan explained, The King's Fund, 23rd January 2019
<https://www.kingsfund.org.uk/publications/nhs-long-term-plan-explained>

asked to take to create their 5 year strategic plans by November 2019 covering the period 2019/20-2023/24².

- 3.4 The North Somerset HWB provides an opportunity for the CCG to share our interim submission of the five year system plan for Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire with Local Authority partners.

For this interim submission we have focused upon articulating our shared vision and strategy to improve outcomes for our population and rebalance resources to achieve financial sustainability.

In preparation for this interim submission, we have used intelligence from our joint case for change, supplemented by population health data from a linked dataset formed this year and our citizens' panel, a representative sample of 1000 people living in our area. This intelligence has enabled our system-wide steering groups to review what has been set out nationally, against local plans already in train and insights from our population to form five year plans. Much of this detail is still being progressed and we will be working extensively over October to triangulate our ambitions, within the context of workforce and finance constraints. Included within the Interim Submission is a high level overview of this work and where appropriate it is aligned to the 33 Long Term Plan (LTP) Collection Metrics.

- 3.5 The deadline for submission of our final five year system plan is 15 November.

4. Policy and Legal Implications

- 4.1 No legal implications have been identified at this stage. The final five-year system plan may result in local changes to health policy to support implementation of the plan

5. Risk Management

- 5.1 Risks related to the five year system plan are managed through the Heathier Together governance structure.

6. Finance and Resource Implications

- 6.1 The funding settlement applies to NHS England's budget only. This means that some important areas of NHS spending included in the Department of Health and Social Care's budget – such as capital and education and training – are not covered by it. Local authority public health spending and social care are also excluded. Consequently, it is a plan for the NHS, not the whole health and care system. While it seeks to strengthen the NHS's contribution in areas such as prevention, population health and health inequalities, the plan is clear that real progress in these areas will also rely on action elsewhere.

² NHS Long Term Plan Implementation Framework, NHS England & Improvement, June 2019

7. Equality Implications

- 7.1 Equality Impact Assessments are required for each programme of within the five year system plan. The Healthier Together steering groups are responsible for ensuring that equality implications are considered and, where appropriate, incorporated into plans.

8. Climate Change and Environmental Implications

- 8.1 No climate change or environmental implications have been identified at this stage.

9. Engagement Undertaken or required

- 9.1 The interim submission has been developed jointly with all STP partners and was received positively at our Partnership Board on 23 September and debated at a joint meeting of our three Health and Wellbeing Boards on 25 September. The outputs from these discussions are predominantly shaping the full response.

Over October, we will be continuing to engage system leaders and stakeholders in developing our plan. We are running workshops with our Partnership Board and Clinical Cabinet to agree our key strategic ambitions. In addition we are holding a large event for approximately 250 citizens to hold a conversation about how we work with them to improve health and care within our region. This will be informed by some smaller focus groups with members of the public exploring their appreciation of health and wellbeing. Our Executive Group will sign-off the draft of our plan that we will be submitting to NHS England & Improvement on 1 November and we have scheduled an extraordinary meeting of our Partnership Board on 14 November to sign off the final draft of our plan.