

Report to Health & Wellbeing Board Report of Executive Director (People)	Reference number HWB/020/13
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JOINT STRATEGIC NEEDS ASSESSMENT – COUNTYWIDE VIEW 2013	
Report by Executive Director (People)	
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1. Purpose of report

- 1.1. The purpose of this report is to advise the Board of the refreshment for 2013 of the countywide view of the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment.
- 1.2. In particular, the Board is asked to note the Key Issues identified on page N of the attached countywide JSNA.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 Approve the attached countywide JSNA overview for publication.

3. Background and proposal

3.1 There are three types of strategic JSNA report in Essex:

- A countywide overview
- 12 city, borough or district overviews
- 5 clinical commissioning group overviews

3.2 All three reports are being refreshed in 2013.

3.3 A major review of evidence took place in 2012 for the countywide overview that informed the creation of the new Joint Health & Wellbeing Strategy.

3.4 For 2013, that evidence is simply being updated. Formally, the attached JSNA countywide overview report follows very similar lines to last year's overview. However, one important structural change is the incorporation of 'voice data', ie, evidence of public and service users' experiences and opinions, into each chapter. This is part of a move to making such evidence fundamental to identifying issues, rather than merely illustrative.

3.5 The work of Healthwatch Essex and the County Council's social care user groups, as well as survey evidence of the views of the general public, has been drawn on in the writing of this overview.

3.6 The next major rewriting of the countywide JSNA will occur in time to shape the creation of a new three-yearly Strategy.

4. Policy context

4.1 The JSNA in its various forms – as the three types of strategic report or overview discussed above, or as special topic reports – should underpin the commissioning intentions of local government and the local NHS in Essex.

5. Financial Implications

5.1 There are no direct financial implications from this report.

6. Legal Implications

6.1 There are no direct legal implications from this report.

7. Staffing and other resource implications

7.1 There are no direct staffing or resource implications from this report.

8. Equality and Diversity implications

8.1 A core purpose of the JSNA is to explore inequalities in health and other circumstances and to review evidence of what works in reducing these

inequalities. These inequalities may be defined geographically, socio-economically or in terms of protected characteristics, though data may not always be available in respect of every characteristic. Every effort will be made to break data down to support analysis of inequalities.

9. Background papers

- 9.1 Existing JSNA reports can be seen on Essex Insight:
<http://www.essexinsight.org.uk/grouppage.aspx?groupid=19>