

Item No.	Classification: Open	Date: 23 September 2021	Decision Taker: Health & Wellbeing Board
Report title:		JSNA Programme Update	
Ward(s) or groups affected:		All Southwark wards and population groups	
From:		Sangeeta Leahy Director of Public Health - Southwark Council	

RECOMMENDATION(S)

1. The board note the findings of the JSNA projects completed in the last year
2. The board receive and agree a JSNA work programme early in 2022 for the financial year ahead.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

3. Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) is a process designed to inform and underpin the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy (JHWS) by identifying areas of unmet need, both now and into the future. It is a statutory requirement for Local Authorities and their partners (under both the Health and Social Care Act 2012 and the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 s116 and s116A).
4. Local areas are free to undertake JSNAs in a way best suited to their local circumstances. There is no template or format that must be used and no mandatory data to be included.
5. In Southwark, prior to the COVID-19 pandemic we had an annual work programme for the JSNA that aligned to four themes, ensuring it covered the breadth of issues affecting health and wellbeing:
 - Domain 1 - population groups
 - Domain 2 - behaviours and risk factors
 - Domain 3 - wider determinants of health
 - Domain 4 - health conditions and healthcare
6. This report has two main objectives:
 - To update the board on work undertaken as part of the JSNA programme during the last year.
 - To outline next steps for the JSNA.

KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

7. The COVID-19 pandemic has necessitated a shift in focus from the usual annual JSNA work programme. Over the last year the main priority has been to assess the health, social and economic impacts of the pandemic in both the short and longer term. Specific attention has been given to assess how the pandemic has affected inequalities in the borough.
8. A suite of COVID-19 impact assessments have been developed by the Public Health division in close partnership with partners across the council, NHS and community & voluntary sector.
9. A key element of the impact assessments has also involved engaging with local residents to understand their lived experience of the pandemic and the effect it has had on their lives.
10. The COVID-19 impact assessments have highlighted the significant and on-going affect of the pandemic, and how this has exacerbated pre-existing inequalities, particularly among those from Black, Asian and ethnic minority backgrounds, low-income households, those who are disabled and those with complex health conditions.
11. The impact assessments are being used by partners across the health and care system to inform their understanding of the pandemic, along with priorities and plans for the future. A key use of the impact assessments will be to inform the refresh of the Joint Health & Wellbeing Strategy and how we collectively tackle inequalities in the borough.
12. In addition to the focus on COVID-19, a limited number of needs assessments have also been undertaken.
13. A substance misuse needs assessment is being finalised and will inform the recommissioning of community service provision.
14. Another needs assessment has focused on severe and multiple disadvantage. This has resulted in a series of policy and practice recommendations focused around data and digital, service delivery, commissioning and embedding lived experience.
15. Looking ahead, our aim is to engage with partners across the council, NHS (including ICS) and community & voluntary sector in the coming months to identify priority JSNA projects for the future. It is recommended a draft work programme is brought to the board early in the new year for consideration and approval.

Policy framework implications

16. The JSNA process should underpin the development of the Joint Health & Wellbeing Strategy of the Health & Wellbeing Board and other local plans and policies designed to improve health and wellbeing in the borough.

17. The JSNA should inform plans of borough the Council and NHS partners, including the emerging South East London Integrated Care System.

Community, equalities (including socio-economic) and health impacts

Community impact statement

18. Lead authors for each JSNA project included within the future programme are encouraged to engage with partners, community and voluntary organisations, and residents in the development of their reports.

Equalities (including socio-economic) impact statement

19. A key component to the JSNA programme is to develop our understanding of health inequalities in the borough. All JSNA reports consider how different population groups and communities are affected by the issue being considered. This includes the protected characteristics outlined in the Equality Act 2010, along with other factors such as socio-economic status.

Health impact statement

20. The JSNA programme is designed to consider the direct and indirect influences on health and wellbeing in the borough i.e. health and its wider determinants.

Climate change implications

21. The JSNA programme will include work assessing the wider determinants of health, including environmental impacts e.g. air quality.

Resource implications

22. The JSNA is undertaken in-house and led by the Public Health division on behalf of the Health & Wellbeing Board. While the majority of the resource for producing the JSNA will come from within Public Health, co-production is an important aspect to the development of JSNA projects. There is an expectation that partners will play an active role in the development of projects within their area of expertise. Through this co-production process the JSNA can better reflect the local picture and ensure recommendations for future action have the support of all partners.

Legal implications

23. Local authorities and clinical commissioning groups (CCGs) have equal and joint duties to prepare the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment, through the Health & Wellbeing Board, outlined in the Health and Social Care Act 2012.

Financial implications

24. There are no financial implications. The JSNA programme delivered in-house, led by the Public Health division with contributions from partners.

Consultation

25. The JSNA work programme will be developed following the engagement of key partners across Southwark Council, NHS and other partners. Lead authors for each project included within the programme are encouraged to engage with partners and residents in the development of their reports.

SUPPLEMENTARY ADVICE FROM OTHER OFFICERS

Director of Law and Governance

26. None sought.

Strategic Director of Finance and Governance

27. None sought.

Other officers

28. None sought.

REASONS FOR LATENESS

29. The report was unavailable at initial circulation of meeting papers due to annual leave of the report author.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Background Papers	Held At	Contact
JSNA Programme Update	Public Health Division, Environment & Leisure.	Chris Williamson 02075251774

APPENDICES

No.	Title
Appendix 1	JSNA Programme Update 2021

AUDIT TRAIL

Lead Officer	Sangeeta Leahy	
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CONSULTATION WITH OTHER OFFICERS / DIRECTORATES / CABINET MEMBER		
Officer Title	Comments Sought	Comments Included
Director of Law and Governance	No	No
Strategic Director of Finance and Governance	No	No
List other officers here		
Cabinet Member	No	No
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