

15 June 2015		ITEM: 9
Health and Wellbeing Board		
Demography JSNA		
Wards and communities affected: All	Key Decision: Non-key	
Report of: Debbie Maynard, Head of Public Health and Maria Payne, Health Needs Assessment Manager		
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Executive Summary

Every Health and Wellbeing Board has the responsibility to produce a Joint Strategic Needs Assessment for their area, which should give a comprehensive overview of the current and future health and care needs of local populations to inform and guide the planning and commissioning of health, wellbeing and social care services. This paper aims to request approval for the draft Demography document.

1. Recommendation(s)

- 1.1 Endorse the key recommendations and priorities identified in the Demography document**
- 1.2 Approve the Demography JSNA document for publication**

2. Introduction and Background

- 2.1 Since 2013 it has been the responsibility of every Health and Wellbeing Board to produce a Joint Strategic Needs Assessment for their area to provide a comprehensive overview of the current health and wellbeing of their population, form an evidence base for future commissioning priorities, and inform a Health and Wellbeing Strategy. Within Thurrock, the Health and Wellbeing Board have delegated this responsibility to the Public Health team to coordinate.
- 2.2 The last full JSNA in place for Thurrock was published in 2012, and is available <https://www.thurrock.gov.uk/healthy-living/joint-strategic-needs-assessment>. This document provides an overarching view of the whole population, and is very data-focussed. A proposal for the new JSNA process

which was agreed by Directors Board in January 2014 was to produce separate JSNA documents for key population groups or topic areas, which together would form a comprehensive overview, but could stand alone and give more detailed information about current services and needs. The documents would also have more focus on what we are doing locally already to address needs, and move further towards an asset approach. In particular, the considerable regeneration and population growth that Thurrock has begun and will continue to experience will lead to a number of benefits, opportunities and challenges, and it is hoped that the JSNA documents will support commissioners and decision-makers in identifying and meeting future needs. A timeline was agreed to enable these documents to be produced in a staged process between 2014-2016.

- 2.3 Whilst each JSNA document is project-managed and collated from within the Public Health team, each document has been and will be produced with contributions from a range of internal and external partners in order to ensure the accuracy and usefulness of the information. Focussed Task and Finish groups have been established to ensure the right people are involved in producing the documents and submitting recommendations for consideration when making commissioning decisions.
- 2.4 A JSNA document focussing solely on the needs of Children and Young People in Thurrock was approved by Children's Partnership Board and Health and Wellbeing Board in March 2015, and has recently been published.
- 2.5 A JSNA document on the Demography of the Thurrock population is the next to be produced. The aim of this document is to give an overview of the characteristics of the local population, including where there might be differences within the borough, in order to underpin the other JSNA documents which will focus on key groups.
- 2.6 The plan is for JSNAs on the Wider Determinants of Health, Adults and Older People, and Assets to be produced in 2015.

3. Issues, Options and Analysis of Options

- 3.1 The options identified for consideration by the Health and Wellbeing Board are:
 - **Do nothing** – this gives no commitment to endorsing the recommendations or approving the draft JSNA document. However this carries a risk that Thurrock would not be meeting its responsibilities to maintain a JSNA that provides a current overview of the population and their needs. It will also mean that the last Thurrock JSNA produced in 2012 will become further and further out of date and therefore less meaningful.
 - **Endorse the key recommendations from the Demography document and give formal approval to the publication of the**

Demography JSNA document - this would enable a current overview of the key demography of Thurrock to be known now, and ensure Thurrock meets its responsibilities to maintain a current JSNA.

4. Reasons for Recommendation

- 4.1 The preferred option for the Health and Wellbeing Board is to endorse the recommendations and approve the document. This is preferred in order to ensure the information in the document is still current when it is published, and to facilitate the process of maintaining JSNAs in the future.
- 4.2 If this document is not published, there is a risk that Thurrock will not meet its responsibilities to maintain a JSNA that provides a current overview of the population and their needs.

5. Consultation (including Overview and Scrutiny, if applicable)

- 5.1 This document was completed in collaboration with a range of partners. Regular updates on progress were provided to the Public Health Strategy Board and the JSNA Delivery Group, both of which have a range of internal and external members. Adults DMT members have also had the opportunity to comment on this document.
- 5.2 An update on the progress of the new JSNA process was presented at Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 13th January 2015. Members were supportive of the way in which the documents have been developed.

6. Impact on corporate policies, priorities, performance and community impact

- 6.1 Publication of the Demography JSNA document will ensure the priorities and recommendations set forth can be used to effectively underpin and support commissioning decisions in the future.

7. Implications

7.1 Financial

Implications verified by: **Mike Jones**
Finance Officer

There are no implications currently – But in the future the JSNA could have future financial implications to commissioners both in health and social care.

7.2 Legal

Implications verified by: **Dawn Pelle**
Adult Care Lawyer

The document is confirming the position in relation to the Demography and advising that the appropriate consultation has taken place. As a consequence there are no legal implications.

7.3 **Diversity and Equality**

Implications verified by: **Natalie Warren**
Communities and Diversity Manager

The JSNA captures robust up-to-date details around diversity and equality and should inform commissioners and members of the current position locally.

7.4 **Other implications** (where significant) – i.e. Staff, Health, Sustainability, Crime and Disorder)

None

8. **Background papers used in preparing the report** (including their location on the Council's website or identification whether any are exempt or protected by copyright):

- Demography JSNA

9. **Appendices to the report**

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