

Oxfordshire Health and Wellbeing Board

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Appendix A – Proposed Oxfordshire Health & Wellbeing Board (HWB) Response to Joint Forward Plan (JFP)

Dear Mr Bowen

I am writing on behalf of the Oxfordshire Health and Wellbeing Board to provide our formal response to the Buckinghamshire Oxfordshire and Berkshire West Integrated Care Board's Draft Joint Forward Plan. I note we are required to comment as to "whether the draft takes proper account of the Joint health and wellbeing strategy published by the health and wellbeing board that relates to any part of the period to which the JFP relates".

Firstly, we have welcomed your regular updates at our HWB in regard to the development of the JFP and also the formation of the overarching Integrated Care System Strategy. I know that in addition to these discussions, senior Officers from the Local Authorities and our other partners organisations have worked with yourself and NHS colleagues in the formation of these documents.

Our current JHWBS states the following priority areas which we see alignment to within some specific parts of the JFP.

- Agreeing a coordinated approach to prevention and "healthy place shaping"
- Improving the resident's journey through the health and social care system (as set out in the Care Quality Commission action plan)
- Agreeing an approach to working with the public so as to re-shape and transform services locality by locality
- Agreeing plans to tackle critical workforce shortages.

We should note that our current JHWB Strategy is in the process of being updated and therefore our key priorities will be updated. We are committed to the JHWB Strategy to be the primary strategy at Place that drives our collective effort to improve residents' health and wellbeing in Oxfordshire. This will have more of a focus on the wider determinants of health - that we know drive so much of the health status of local residents - than there is within the JFP. We know action at Place can only be done in partnership and look forward to working with NHS colleagues in developing and implementing this strategy.

Councillor Liz Leffman, Chair, Oxfordshire Health and Wellbeing Board.