

**Oxfordshire Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

**Date of Meeting:** 7 February 2019

**Title of Paper:** Wantage planning for population health and care needs update

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**Purpose and Executive Summary:**

Health and Wellbeing Board partners continue to progress work in the Wantage and Grove area to look to the future design and delivery of health and care services. This paper provides an update on progress since the 29 November meeting.

Members of the Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee are invited to note the progress of the Wantage Community engagement using the Health and Wellbeing Board’s framework specifically:

- That the scope of the work will extend to the OX12 postcode area as suggested by local community representatives
- That a project group, made up of Health and Wellbeing Board partners has been established
- That a stakeholder analysis was completed with the support of local community representatives and that the first stakeholder reference group will take place on 13 February 2019
- That the stakeholder reference group will consider the proposed timetable
- If a specific need or gap is identified as a result of the analysis and engagement work system partners will work to address that gap ahead of completion of the framework approach

The JHOSC is asked to consider how local politicians can be supported to be involved in and informed of the approach.

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## **1. Introduction**

At the 29 November meeting of the Oxfordshire Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee Members considered the timetable in which Oxfordshire Clinical Commissioning Group and Oxford NHS Health Foundation proposed to use the framework approach (recently adopted by the HWB) to identify health and care needs in the Wantage and Grove area. The framework advances work to address all aspects of local population health and care needs and future service requirements, setting important context around the matter of the temporarily closed overnight beds at Wantage Hospital.

Since the last JHOSC meeting, work has continued with respect to implementing the framework approach. This paper describes progress to date.

## **2. Local Progress**

OCCG and OH staff met with a small group of representatives from the Wantage and Grove area on 19 December. The purpose of the meeting was to consider the early stages of the framework approach and to compile an appropriate list of local stakeholders to inform development of a stakeholder reference group for the work.

In preparation for the meeting system partners shared both the local Wantage and Grove population profile and the Vale of White Horse population profile. This enabled review of what we already know about the populations, how they will grow and other insights such as age ranges.

### **2.1. Agreeing the Scope**

Informed by this background those present took the time to consider two key points essential to the early stages of the framework approach:

- What is the area that we will look at?
- Who are the key stakeholders to engage and how can we work to ensure suitable representation and involvement?

The group were very clear in their views that the focus of the approach should cover Wantage, Grove and the surrounding villages. The group suggested that the OX12 postcode area is the area that should be the main focus of the framework approach. It was agreed that from now on when we are looking at the main area of focus of the work it will be the OX12 postcode area and that we will use that descriptive term so that people understand that we are talking about Wantage, Grove and all villages in that area.

### **2.2 Establishing the Stakeholder Reference Group**

The meeting considered the age profile of the OX12 area and some of the initial observations from the population health profiles. The group were encouraged to use their local knowledge and experience to identify a comprehensive list of possible

stakeholders, reflective of the population and some of the key health and care needs we already know of in the area. The group, given their interests and links into the local community, were asked how they might support system partners in accessing organisations or groups of people.

This outcome of the meeting is valuable and insightful local information that is the basis for our work to establish a stakeholder reference group. We also have information on useful links to local publications and websites that will enable us to ensure good engagement with the right people as we take the project forward.

At the meeting the group were concerned that work on the health and wellbeing needs of OX12 is taken forward in partnership with the District and County Councils as well as key health and care providers. We have provided assurance that this will be the case.

Further progress has been made on the establishment of a stakeholder reference group. Outline terms of reference and the draft timetable for implementation have been prepared. Invitations have been sent out to groups and individuals identified by the 19 December working group. The stakeholder reference group meeting will meet on 13 February.

### **2.3. Implementing the framework at pace**

A project group has been established to drive forward this work, at pace, on behalf of health and care commissioners and providers. Representatives have been confirmed from:

- Oxfordshire County Council – commissioning and public health
- Oxfordshire CCG
- Oxford Health – clinicians and managers
- Oxford University Hospitals
- Vale of White Horse District Council
- GP practices in OX12 – GP and practice managers
- Communications and engagement lead, on behalf of the system partners

Each of the organisations above has committed resources to support the delivery of the work to identify the health and care population needs in the OX12 area and to work together using the framework approach to develop future service models designed to meet those needs.

The project group will manage the implementation of the framework approach and work closely with the stakeholder reference group to ensure effective involvement and engagement with local people and groups.

### **3. Timeframe for delivery**

The Health and Wellbeing Board approved the framework approach in November 2018. The OX12 area; Wantage, Grove and surrounding villages is the first area to trial the planning framework.

The draft engagement plan will be presented to the local stakeholder group for agreement at the meeting on 13 February, including agreement on the timeframe in which it can be delivered, similar to the timescale previously presented to this Committee. This plan describes working together (co-production) to determine and understand the population health and care needs and to describe service solutions within the context of innovation and best practice.

Health and care system partners remain committed to developing future options as soon as possible for the people of OX12, recognising the need to balance this with ensuring all local parties feeling involved and engaged in exploring together the population health challenges and the potential service solutions.

The stakeholder and project groups will look for opportunities to accelerate responses to identified needs that surface and to pilot new approaches ahead of the full completion of the framework approach. This means that if a specific need or gap is identified early, system partners will work to address that gap and keep both the local stakeholders and JHOSC updated of progress.

### **4. Engagement and involvement of local politicians**

System partners recognise that the use of local assets such as Wantage Hospital is a subject that is of great importance to local people and to the Councillors that represent them. We are keen to involve and inform local politicians in the implementation of the population health and care needs framework in OX12. We are open to suggestions, as this is the first time that we have approached planning for future health and care needs in this way.