

## **Consultation on Oxfordshire Joint H&WB Strategy**

### **The Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy (JHWBS)**

The Health and Social Care Act requires publication of an agreed Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy at county level from 2013-14. Preparations are already underway for a “shadow” strategy to be agreed by partners in Oxfordshire by July 2012. This can then be the basis for planning in each partner organisation and also for subsequent revision if necessary next year.

The JHWBS has been drafted based on the priorities proposed by 3 partnership boards and agreed by the shadow Health and Wellbeing Board (H&WB) in March 2012. This draft strategy will be the focus of public consultation in May-June 2012 and a final draft brought to the H&WB in July 2012. This will be amended and agreed by the Board at that meeting, so that it forms the basis for planning for all partners.

Further revision of the JHWBS might be expected in 2013 subject to the extensive revision of the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment by December 2012.

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A consultation on the draft HWB Strategy will be carried out through the newly established Public Involvement Network (PIN). It will aim to consider the overall direction of the strategy and the priorities agreed by the Health and Wellbeing Board.

The PIN is co-ordinated by a Steering Group including City/District Council, LINKs, voluntary sector colleagues and users/carers and is led jointly by the Oxfordshire County Council (OCC) and Oxfordshire Clinical Commissioning Group (OCCG) Public Engagement Managers. The PIN will, over time, develop routes to include a wide and representative network of people and organisations with whom to consult, drawing on existing databases and contacts. It is a transitional arrangement to ensure that the views of people in Oxfordshire inform the Health and Wellbeing Board and its partnership boards.

### **Consultation mechanisms**

A number of routes will be used to ensure a wide reach of consultation, including:

- Survey through Talking Health (OCCG), the e-portal (OCC) and Oxfordshire Voice. Other ‘panels’ will be accessed through partners, where possible, including City and District Councils, OCVA, ORCC etc.
- Survey distributed specifically to staff in OCC, OCCG, City/District Councils, hospital settings etc.
- Survey distributed to Councillors in OCC and City/District Councils, Town and Parish Councils
- Circulation of survey to all Patient Participation Groups in GP practices across the county.
- Mini survey formats in easy read and young-people friendly versions for targeted groups and distributed through OXME, facebook, Twitter and other social media routes.
- 3 public meetings as follows:
  - Banbury Town Hall, Thursday 31 May from 10.30 – 13.30

- Oxford Town Hall, Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> May from 17.30-20.00
- Abingdon (venue to be confirmed) Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June from 14.00-17.00
- Targeted focus groups/meetings, within limited capacity and timescales, using existing meetings schedules where possible.

### **Timescales**

The consultation will run for 6 weeks. Findings from the consultation will be collated, analysed and reported on by end June. A final draft will then be discussed by the H&WB in July.

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