Divisions Affected - All

HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD 14th March 2024

CHAIR'S REPORT OF THE HEALTH IMPROVEMENT PARTNERSHIP BOARD 29th FEBRUARY 2024

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RECOMMENDATION

1. The Health and Wellbeing Board are asked to note the content of the most recent Health Improvement Partnership Board meeting on the 29th February 2024 and the Board's contribution to the implementation of Oxfordshire's Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy.

Background

- 2. The Health Improvement Partnership Board (HIB) has identified 3 priority thematic areas to focus on;
 - 2.1. Tobacco Control
 - 2.2. Mental Wellbeing
 - 2.3. Healthy Weight and Physical Activity
- 3. Action on these priority areas is supported by an approach which is focused at addressing health inequalities and taking a preventative approach in all we do.
- 4. The most recent meeting of the HIB was on 29th February 2024. The thematic focus of the meeting was on Healthy Weight and Physical Activity, the latter including a full update on implementation of the Oxfordshire Food Strategy. There was also an important item on the role of HIB in delivery of the new Oxfordshire Joint Local Health and Wellbeing Strategy. A summary of the meeting is provided below and full reports are available at: https://mycouncil.oxfordshire.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cld=899&Mld=7689&Ver=4

Key Reports

5. **Health and Wellbeing strategy delivery-** The HIB noted the newly published Oxfordshire Joint Local Health and Wellbeing Strategy which all HIB members and representative organisations had contributed to the development of. It was agreed that priorities 3 and 4- that both sit in the "Live Well" part of the strategy

aligned very closely with the existing priorities of the HIB listed above in paragraph 2, and it was agreed that the HIB should take on the responsibility for ensuring delivery of this part of the strategy. An indicative summary of the overlapping themes for HIB going forward is summarised in the diagram below, but it is acknowledged that the detail of the Boards work programme will evolve and adapt as work progresses over the life of the strategy

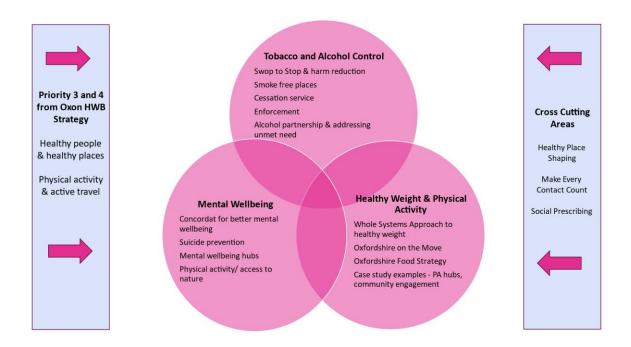


Figure 1- Proposed priorities for the Health Improvement Board

6. Healthy weight services- The HIB received and update of the provision of healthy weight services in Oxfordshire. These are split into 4 tiers with responsibility for commissioning in tier 1 and 2 sitting with Oxfordshire County Council, whilst tier 3 & 4 sits with the Integrated Care Board. These tiers are summarised in Figure 2 below.

The Tier 2 services locally includes behavioural change programmes such as a 12 week face to face and group programmes and other specific target programmes. It performs well both in terms of completion of the courses and sustained weight loss and 6 and 12 months. A pilot programme for children and their families has also been running in Oxfordshire for the last 18 months and these 2 programmes will be brought together into 1 combined service from August of 2024 which will have a life course approach to service delivery. There is currently high levels of availability for places in tier 2 programmes in Oxfordshire.

An outline of tier 3 and tier 4 weight management provision was provided by the ICB. It was noted that services in this space are challenged at present in terms of waiting times and provision across the ICS footprint. It is the tier 3 service that includes provision of the new NICE approved injectable medication to support weight loss, although it was noted that it is only a very small portion of the local population that are eligible for or would benefit from this medication.

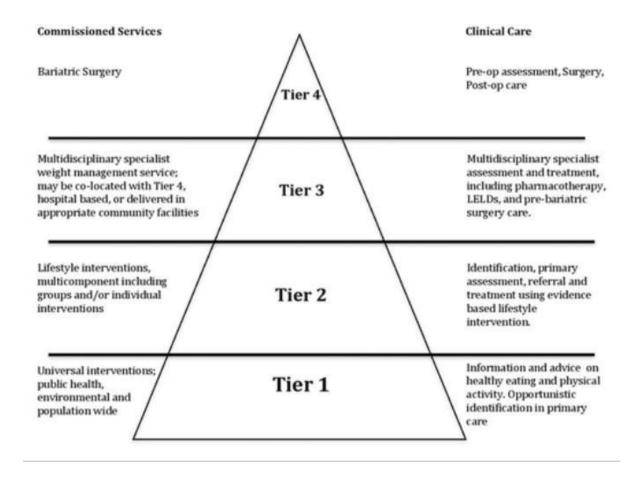


Figure 2- Outline of Tiered Healthy Weight Commissioned Services in England

7. **Oxfordshire food strategy-** The progress against implementation of this strategy was presented and included some county wide initiatives as well as case study examples of specific local action.

The Board welcomed the county wide work which included Oxfordshire being awarded a Sustainable Food Places Silver Award, the Talking About Sustainable Eating Toolkit and Priority Places Food Index. An excellent initiative in the Didcot area, call "Nourish and Flourish", was also presented to the Board. The innovative approach taken by the local Primary Care Network to part fund the project and embed a healthy eating clinic within one of the PCN Practice sites was agreed to be a novel but effective way of supporting local residents. The sustainability of food action working groups and programmes of work happening needs to be kept under review.

8. **Oxfordshire On The Move-** An update on this physical activity movement was presented by Active Oxfordshire. The progress, increased numbers, reach and outcomes for those participating in the YouMove and Move Together programmes was encouraging to see. Active Oxfordshire presented evidence on how successful engagement in these programmes reduce demand on primary care

services and therefore offers a more cost-effective pathway with better outcomes for residents too.

Future meetings of HIB

- 9. As described above the HIB will continue to focus on its priority areas and ensure this aligns with the Live Well section of the new Health and Wellbeing Strategy. The performance report it receives on a quarterly basis will be updated to reflect the Key Outcome Indicators and Supporting Indicators specific to this priority.
- 10. The next meeting of the HIB will take place in June 2024

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