

DERBYSHIRE HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD**11 July 2019****Report of the Director of Public Health****PROGRESS ON THE HEALTH AND WELLBEING STRATEGY****1. Purpose of the Report**

To provide an update to the Health and Wellbeing Board on progress made on the Health and Wellbeing Strategy

2. Supporting Information**Background**

On 31st January 2019 in order to support the ambition and delivery of the Derbyshire health and wellbeing strategy 'Our Lives, Our Health, the Derbyshire Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) agreed the role of the HWB strategy champion.

The five priority areas of the Our Lives, Our Health strategy are:

1. Enable people in Derbyshire to live healthy lives
2. Work to lower levels of air pollution
3. Build mental health and wellbeing across the life course
4. Support our vulnerable populations to live in well-planned and healthy homes
5. Strengthen opportunities for quality employment and lifelong learning

This update focuses on air quality, housing and health and the role of the HWB strategy champions.

Air Quality Strategy and related work to date

The Derby and Derbyshire Air Quality Working Group has begun work on developing an air quality strategy across Derbyshire, with the aim of pulling together work currently happening across the county and to set out short and longer term priorities and potential actions in relation to improving air quality across the county.

Work the air quality group has delivered or supported includes:

- The group has a multi-agency action plan based on NICE guidance which focuses around six key themes;
 - Strategic vision and cross organisational working;
 - Improve access and promote usage of sustainable travel;
 - Increase awareness of air quality issues amongst the population and strategic leaders;

- Reduce exposure and harm for those with existing health conditions and vulnerable groups;
- Planning and Development Control
- Monitoring.
- Specific actions from partners have included;
 - The production of air quality heat maps
 - Initiatives to raise the profile of air quality including participation in Clean Air Day, Low Emission events, attendance at Sustainable Travel and Planning Groups
 - Annual report to Health Protection Board of trends and issues related to Air quality locally
 - Evidence review
 - Development of supplementary planning guidance for local planners
 - Links to wider strategic plans including Derbyshire Cycle Plan and Climate Change Manifesto, as well as supporting the development of a Derbyshire County Low Emission Strategy
 - Collaborative working around Derby City Clean Air Zone and assessment work on the A38 in South Normanton
 - Links with Healthy Homes teams to examine evidence on reducing solid fuel usage across the County

Solid Fuel Burning

Smoke Control Areas were introduced to reduce the effects of smoke from domestic fireplaces. Anybody who burns solid fuel in a house in our Smoke Control Areas must either use authorised fuels or burn on an authorised appliance. Smoke Control areas in Derbyshire:

- **South Derbyshire;** Parts of Swadlincote, Midway, Newhall and Castle Gresley, as well as Stenson Fields. <https://www.south-derbys.gov.uk/our-services/environment/pollution/smoke-control-areas>
- **Derbyshire Dales;** None
- **Erewash;** Covering Ilkeston area
<https://www.erewash.gov.uk/index.php/smoke-control-areas.html>
- **High Peak;** covering parts of the High Peak
<https://www.highpeak.gov.uk/article/355/Smoke-control-areas>
- **North East Derbyshire;** parts of the North East Derbyshire area
<http://www.ne-derbyshire.gov.uk/index.php/31-resident/environment/117-resident-pollution#smoke>
- **Chesterfield;** All of the Chesterfield area
- **Amber Valley;** parts of Ripley, Heanor, Shipley, Alfreton, Belper, Riddings, Swanwick, Sommercotes, Shipley
<https://www.ambervalley.gov.uk/environment/pollution/smoke-control-areas/>
- Further information about smoke control areas can be found at
<https://www.environmental-protection.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/Domestic-Smoke1.pdf>

Housing and Health

Work is currently underway to reformat the health and housing systems group which sits under the Derbyshire HWB and covers both the County and City Council footprint. The refreshed group will include enhanced representation from system partners and review its priority work areas in relation to the HWB strategy and the role of the group within the Joined Up Care Derbyshire prevention work.

Key successes of the group to date include:

- joining-up conversations across the local system
- securing investment to support work to reduce homelessness
- leading the design and implementation of a locally delivered Housing Stock Conditions Survey
- exploring potential links with one of the big 6 Energy Companies

Role of the HWB Champion

The HWB Board Champions role is to advocate within their own organisation, across partner organisations and at the system-level for the HWB strategy generally and to “champion” their identified priority area specifically. For each Champion this is an opportunity to accelerate the delivery of Our Lives, Our Health and to develop a much more detailed understanding of strategic working across the County in relation to one of the Priority areas in the Strategy.

The role is to support the relevant Public Health Lead for their priority area and help take the work forward at a strategic and operational level by helping remove barriers and challenging the status quo, as a minimum the HWB champion is asked to:

- Meet with the Public Health Lead for their Priority once per quarter, for a conversation about current opportunities and challenges encountered across the system.
- Facilitate discussions with other Board members (as appropriate) for maximising opportunities identified and exploring ways to overcome barriers to progress.
- Support the Public Health Lead in bringing progress updates, challenges and discussion topics to the HWB Board.

Role of the Public Health Lead

The Public Health Lead is already responsible for leading work on behalf of the Public Health Department within that priority area. The opportunity of working with the Board champion affords greater potential of cross-system engagement and action across the public health/prevention agenda.

The Public Health Lead is asked to:

- Identify key areas within their portfolio where the HWB Champion can; add value, actively take forward any required action at the Board level, work to remove any organisation and/or system barriers having a detrimental impact on progressing desired outcomes.
- Keep the HWB champion up to date with developments in relation to the relevant priority area agenda.
- Work with the HWB champion to provide updates on progress to the HWB.

Public Health Leads and HWB Champions so far:

1. Enable people in Derbyshire to live healthy lives

Public Health Leads – Jackie Wagstaffe, Mary Hague, Rosalie Weetman

HWB Champion - Chesterfield Royal Hospital NHS Foundation Trust volunteered to identify a champion aligned to this priority area, although a rep is still to be identified. Given the scale of this priority area it may need more than one HWB champion.

2. Work to lower levels of air pollution

Public Health Lead – Jane Careless

HWB Champion – Vikki Taylor (Director, Derbyshire STP)

3. Build mental health and wellbeing across the life course

Public Health Lead – James Creaghan

HWB Champion – NHS Derby and Derbyshire CCG have volunteered to champion this priority but a rep has yet to be identified.

4. Support our vulnerable populations to live in well-planned and healthy homes

Public Health Lead – Vicky Smyth

HWB Champion - John Simmonds (Chair, Healthwatch Derbyshire)

5. Strengthen opportunities for quality employment and lifelong learning

Public Health Lead – Vicky Smyth

HWB Champion - Lynn Allison (Chief Executive, Amber Valley CVS)

3. Recommendations

That Health and Wellbeing Board members:

- Note progress to date contained within this paper, including the work on developing an integrated community wellness approach and suicide prevention work in Derbyshire, both presented to the Board as separate items earlier in the agenda.
- Support the role of the HWB priority Champions and Public Health Leads.
- For the CCG and Chesterfield Royal Hospital to identify a named lead linked to the relevant priority areas.