

SLOUGH BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT TO: Health Scrutiny Panel

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PART I

FOR COMMENT & CONSIDERATION

REFRESH OF SLOUGH JOINT WELLBEING STRATEGY 2016 – 2020

1. Purpose of Report

To agree the next steps to refresh the Slough Joint Wellbeing Strategy.

2. Recommendation(s)/Proposed Action

The Health Scrutiny Panel is asked to:

- a) Comment on the draft of the refresh of the Slough Joint Wellbeing Strategy which has been developed by the Slough Wellbeing Board (Appendix A). In particular, the views of the Panel are welcomed in terms of how the Strategy is implemented and taken forward across the Council and partners (see para 7.1);
- b) Note the arrangements for a Slough Partnership conference and launch of the Strategy on 22 September 2016 (see paras 7.2 and 7.3).

3. The Slough Joint Wellbeing Strategy, the JSNA and the Council's Five Year Plan

3a. Slough Joint Wellbeing Strategy Priorities

Slough's current Wellbeing Strategy 2013 – 2016 expires shortly. This report explains the work undertaken by the Slough Wellbeing Board with partners to develop a new Strategy and priorities for the period 2016 – 2020.

3b. Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA)

The new Wellbeing Strategy is informed by evidence of need contained in the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and the Slough Story.

3c. Council's Five Year Plan Outcomes

The draft Wellbeing Strategy contributes to the eight Five Year Plan outcomes in particular outcomes 1 to 6.

4. Other Implications

- (a) Financial - There are no financial implications associated with the proposed actions.
- (b) Risk Management - There are no identified risks associated with the proposed actions.
- (c) Human Rights Act and Other Legal Implications - There are no direct legal implications. The specific activity in the Strategy and other plans may have legal implications which will be brought to the attention of the Council's Cabinet separately. There are no Human Rights Act Implications.
- (d) Equalities Impact Assessment - There is no requirement to complete an Equalities Impact Assessment (EIA) in relation to this report. EIAs will however be completed on individual aspects of any actions produced to sit underneath the Strategy, as required.

5. Supporting Information

5.1 It is the statutory responsibility of Health and Wellbeing Boards to publish a Health and Wellbeing Strategy and a Joint Strategy Needs Assessment (JSNA). Slough's current Joint Wellbeing Strategy is for 2013 to 2016.

5.2 In January 2016 the Wellbeing Board launched a programme of activity to review and refresh the Strategy and priorities. This included -

- An analysis of need through the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment
- Updating the Slough Story
- A workshop with partners in January 2016
- Discussion at the Slough Wellbeing Board
- Two consultation surveys

5.3 The outcome of this activity has informed the new Strategy. As well as reviewing the priorities for the Board we have also reviewed our governance and partnership ways of working. The new Strategy therefore explains the role of the Board and how it has set itself an ambition to set the vision and strategic direction for partnership working in Slough. There is a diagram and quick guide to the key partnerships working in the borough.

5.4 The new Terms of Reference for the Board are also clear about the relationship with Health Scrutiny Panel and the role it has in effective scrutiny of decisions.

6. Comments of Other Committees

6.1 The Outcomes report from January's development workshop was shared with the Health Scrutiny Panel, representatives from each of the Wellbeing Board's existing subgroups and other partners. All of the subsequent comments received have been taken into account in the development of the refreshed strategy.

6.2 The Slough Wellbeing Board reviewed the draft Strategy on 20 July. As a result of their discussion we have arranged for a report on proposals for a new Housing Strategy to be presented to the next meeting on 28 September. Housing is one of the four priorities identified in the Strategy but there was less clarity around the added value the Board was able to make than with the other three priorities. As a key determinant of health and wellbeing the Board looks forward to the potential to have influence over the vision and priorities for Housing in Slough.

7. Conclusion

7.1 The refreshed Strategy will set the vision and direction for partnership working for the next four years. The document has been designed to focus on four priorities where we can make a difference as a wider network and partnership across the borough over the coming year – please see in particular page 5 of the Strategy. It is recommended that progress against the Strategy is reviewed annually and the document is refreshed with a check on whether we should shift our focus onto different priorities for the next year.

7.2 A partnership conference has been arranged for the morning of Thursday 22 September 2016 at the Curve. This will bring together a wide range of representatives from across the network of partners working in Slough.

7.3 The conference is being designed to -

- a) Launch the Strategy – including actions we can all take to collectively deliver the four priorities;
- b) Promote awareness of the wide range of partnerships and agencies operating in Slough – this is important as one of the key issues we are often asked for help with is signposting to the most appropriate place for advice to support.

8. Appendices

A: Draft Slough Joint Wellbeing Strategy 2016-2020

9. Background Papers

None.