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| KIRKLEES HEALTH & WELLBEING BOARD | |
| MEETING DATE: | 25th March 2021 |
| TITLE OF PAPER: | Update on Kirklees Inclusion Commission and development of the Kirklees joint health and wellbeing strategy |
| 1. Purpose of paper | <p>The purpose of this paper is to update the Board on progress with establishing the Kirklees Inclusion Commission, developing a Kirklees place-based response to the recent White Paper and seek approval for the timetable for developing the Kirklees Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy and Plan.</p> |
| 2. Background | <p>The Board has a statutory responsibility to develop, publish and own the Joint Strategic Assessment and Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy for Kirklees. Taken together these provide the overarching framework for planning, commissioning and delivery of services that impact on the health and wellbeing of the whole population, not just health and care services. The Health and Wellbeing Plan was developed to provide a ‘place-based plan’ for health and care services.</p> <p>The Board received an update in September 2020 on proposals to undertake a number of linked areas of work:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refresh of the Kirklees Joint Strategic Assessment • Development of our local approach to tackling inequalities • Update the Kirklees Health and Wellbeing Plan and development of a new Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy. <p>2.1 Kirklees Joint Strategic Assessment</p> <p>An updated overview of the Kirklees Joint Strategic Assessment will be presented to the Board for approval under a separate agenda item.</p> <p>2.2 Kirklees Inclusion Commission</p> <p>In October 2020, Cabinet approved, and Council subsequently endorsed, the formation of a member-led Commission that will work closely with partners and communities to make recommendations and instigate action, focus on a better understanding of the issues faced, and take forward clear actions to advance equality in Kirklees.</p> <p>The Commission’s key objectives will be to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hear the voices of those with lived experience of inequalities and those in positions of power locally. • Hear progress reports at the quarterly meetings and make recommendations for action. • Hold the system to account. • Influence at a local, regional and national level to address issues outside of the Local Authority’s direct control. <p>The proposed framework, as agreed at Cabinet, involves an overarching Commission of elected members as Commissioners, and a number of “engine rooms” operating beneath the Commission across several “deep dive areas”. These deep dive areas will have a focus on engaging with key partners, subject matter experts, people in power, and people with lived experience of inequalities in order to identify risks, issues and opportunities and identify actions that tackle inequalities.</p> |

2.3 Developing the Kirklees place-based plan and the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy

Since the September Board meeting when the Board discussed the need to develop a new Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy and update our place-based plan there have been a number of significant changes that will impact on this work, most notably:

- Greater Huddersfield CCG and North Kirklees CCG have agreed to formally merge on 1st April to form Kirklees CCG.
- The Government published the White Paper 'Working together to improve health and social care for all' on the 11th February 2021. The government's plan is that the legislative proposals outlined in this White Paper will begin to be implemented in 2022. The new statutory Integrated Care Systems will take on many of the functions of CCGs, consequently it is expected that CCGs will be dissolved in March 2022.

3. Proposal and next steps

An update will be presented at the Board meeting, outlining:

- a) progress on establishing the Kirklees Inclusion Commission, including the formation of a shadow Commission responsible for laying the groundwork for the formal Commission.
- b) how the Kirklees health and care partners are working together to respond to the changes set out in the White Paper, update our 'place-based plan' and develop a new Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy.

4. Financial Implications

None at this stage.

5. Sign off

Richard Parry, Strategic Director Adults and Health, Kirklees Council

7. Recommendations

The Kirklees Health and Wellbeing Board is asked to:

- Welcome the establishment of the Kirklees Inclusion Commission and encourage all partners to actively participate in the work of the Commission.
- Comment on the proposed approach to responding to the White Paper.
- Approve the timetable for producing a new Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy.

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