

## **Joint Strategic Needs Assessment – Health and Wellbeing In The Borough of Rochdale**

### **Project Plan & Process** **Update 8<sup>th</sup> April 2008**

#### **Background**

Joint strategic needs assessment (JSNA) is one of the ways that Heywood, Middleton and Rochdale Primary Care Trust (HMRPCT), Rochdale Borough Metropolitan Borough Council (RMBC) and the Local Strategic Partnership (LSP) will describe the future health and wellbeing needs of our local population and the strategic direction required to meet those needs.

The requirement for JSNA was created in the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act with a duty to do so from April 1st 2008. Led by RMBC and the PCT the success of JSNA processes will depend on good community, public, user and carer engagement.

Within the Borough we see JSNA as a process that does not have a defined end point. We will have a phased approach to the process. To begin the process the JSNA board have selected two areas for Phase 1:

- 3% most deprived Super output areas as defined in the 2007 indices
- Older people

For Phase 1 the project team will look across all relevant outcomes  
Phase 2 will be consulted upon and views will be gathered up to the end of August 2008.

#### **Purpose**

The JSNA will:

- Collect together relevant data and information headlines to show the health, social care and wellbeing of our local communities – What we know
- Analyse this data – what does this information tell us?
- Define where inequalities exist – Which groups have different outcomes and access?
- Summarise community defined needs – What do local people (across all ages) think is needed?
- Detail achievable improvements based on evidence - What will work?

- Inform local strategies, plans and service development – change how we work
- Inform commissioning – What we spend and value for money
- Look forward to the future –What next?

The JSNA will underpin the Local Area Agreement, 'Pride of Place' Community Strategy, Aiming High and the PCT Business and Operational Plans. It will also inform the Older People's Strategy, Supporting people and the Children and Young People's Plan.

It will focus on:

- 3-5 year improvements in outcomes and reductions in inequalities;
- 5-15 year perspectives to influence planning for the Borough
- 1-3 year focus for incremental changes

The JSNA will not:

- Detail every needs assessment in the Borough
- Look at needs assessments at an individual/operational level

### **The Rochdale Borough approach**

The PCT and RMBC have agreed to jointly manage this process ensuring that a wide range of partners and local people are involved and consulted about the findings and recommendations at different stages.

We will adopt the framework outlined in the JSNA guidance (Appendix1)

### **The JSNA team**

A Project Board has been established with executive leadership from the PCT and RMBC. Task groups for each of the areas in phase 1 have been established.

A specialist project core team has been established and details of key contacts have been disseminated.

An engagement plan has been developed to get as many views on the JSNA as possible. The core and task groups will be responsible for engaging and involving a wider range of people across the statutory, voluntary and community sector as appropriate.

### **Reporting**

The core group will report back on progress to the JSNA Board. Reports will go through the Health and Wellbeing Partnership to the LSP. Within the PCT the group will report back through the Strategy and Partnerships directorate through to the PCT Board. Within RMBC the lead Executive Director will ensure appropriate reporting (Appendix2)

## **Summary Timetable 2008/9**

April	Complete Phase 1 initial data and information collection Extract relevant data and information from Planning4Care Initial work with Mosaic software Commence secondary analysis
May	Analysis
June - Aug	Initial findings reports and presentations  Partner and community engagement on initial findings on for Phase 1  Partner and community engagement on priorities for Phase 2
July – Oct	Qualitative research 3% most deprived SOAs
September	Agree Phase 2 areas and timetable
Sep – Oct	Phase 1 additional research and analysis
Nov	Seminar – discuss Phase 1 findings with commissioners
March	Audit of changes made due to JSNA process Communicate changes

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