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ITEM 06

Joined Up Care Derbyshire Update - development of the Derbyshire Integrated Care System (ICS)

Purpose

- 1.1 This report provides an update from Joined Up Care Derbyshire (JUCD).

Recommendation

- 2.1 To note the update from JUCD.

Reason

- 3.1 To ensure that the Health and Wellbeing Board is informed of, and engaged with, JUCD, ensuring alignment and joint effort as necessary on shared priorities.

Supporting information

- 4.1 In response to the NHS England and Improvement consultation paper published in November 2020, the JUCD Board convened a development session on Monday 14 December. The purpose of this session was to collectively consider the proposals for health and care legislative changes. The session had circa 100 representatives of all our partnership boards, including executive colleagues from our upper tier local authorities. Overall, it was felt that the proposals met with the direction of travel and aspirations for Derbyshire:

- Improving population health and healthcare
- Tackling unequal outcomes and access
- Enhancing productivity and Value for Money
- Helping the NHS to support broader social and economic development

A formal Derbyshire system response was submitted as a result of the session which supported the direction of travel set out.

Future Direction of Integrated Care Systems (ICSs)

- 4.2 The government has since published a White Paper on 11 February '[*Integration and Innovation: working together to improve health and social care for all*](#)'; setting out the Department of Health and Social Care's legislative proposals for a Health and Care Bill. If supported, the suggested legislative changes will take effect from April 2022. It is expected that 2021/22 will create natural transition period.

4.3 The White Paper outlines proposals for ICSs to be given new statutory powers to take greater accountability for the performance and development of local health and care, including the commissioning of services, increased collaboration between service providers, both at scale and in our Places/ Neighbourhoods and adopting additional roles currently performed at a regional or national level.

4.4 The NHS and local authorities will be given a duty to collaborate with each other. Future arrangements will be comprised of an ICS Health and Care Partnership, bringing together the NHS, local government and partners, and an ICS NHS Body.

The proposals are intended to build upon the NHS Long Term Plan, to join up health and care services and embed lessons learned from the pandemic. In Derbyshire, these proposals are welcomed and in line with the direction of travel being planned by the Joined Up Care Derbyshire ICS.

4.5 The White Paper details plans to support recovery by stripping away unnecessary legislative bureaucracy, empowering local leaders and services and tackling health inequalities.

4.6 In real terms, for Derbyshire, this will mean:

1. A statutory NHS Integrated Care System (ICS) which builds on the significant progress already made by Joined Up Care Derbyshire, likely to take effect from April 2022 subject to parliamentary process and legislation. NHS and local authority partners will continue to work together to implement these reforms.
2. The establishment of statutory ICSs would see the creation of an ICS NHS Board and an ICS Health and Care Partnership (together referred to as the ICS), to strengthen the decision-making authority of the system leadership and to embed accountability for system performance into the NHS accountability structure.

The ICS NHS Board will be responsible for developing a plan to meet the health needs of our population, developing a capital plan for the NHS providers within the ICS and securing the provision of health services to meet the needs of the system population.

The ICS Health and Care Partnership will bring together health, social care, public health (and potentially representatives from the wider public space where appropriate, such as social care providers or housing providers). This body will be responsible for developing a plan that addresses the wider health, public health, and social care needs of the system – the NHS ICS board and Local Authorities will have to have regard to that plan when making decisions.

3. A process where the commissioning functions currently delivered through the Derby and Derbyshire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) - as well as a number of commissioning functions currently undertaken by NHS England - transition into the new ICS NHS Board.
4. A key responsibility for our system will be to support place-based joint working between the NHS, Local Government and other partners such as the voluntary and community sector. The White Paper proposes that frequently, place level commissioning within an integrated care system will align geographically to a local authority boundary, and the Better Care Fund (BCF) plan will provide a tool for agreeing priorities.

This will see ongoing work on how NHS providers collaborate both at scale across some service lines, and at neighbourhood or place level to ensure services are tailored to local citizens. The Government has explicitly noted that the creation of new NHS Trusts remains an option, with the removal of many of the traditional commissioner/provider boundaries.

- 4.7 These proposals are welcomed by Joined Up Care Derbyshire and are reflective of the position taken during our deliberations in December. We received confirmation of ICS status with effect from January 2021; the proposals set out in the White Paper align with how we have planned to progress our partnerships and governance for Derby and Derbyshire. We will continue to review the White Paper in detail to ensure that we are aligned with its proposed governance and will continue to keep our partners informed of and engaged in these developments during the coming weeks and months.

Public/stakeholder engagement

- 5.1 The JUCD Board is held in public.
- 5.2 JUCD is committed to public and stakeholder engagement both within its strategic planning and operational delivery and has a range of mechanisms to support this including a Citizen's Panel, Patient Participation Group (PPC) Network and Engagement Committee.
- 5.3 Discussion and engagement with this item by the Health and Wellbeing Board continues the engagement process of determining the strategic direction and next steps of JUCD.

Other options

- 6.1 None.

Financial and value for money issues

- 7.1 The efficient and effective use of resources is a primary objective of JUCD.

Legal implications

- 8.1 Establishment of Integrated Care Systems as statutory organisations; subject to parliamentary approval.

Climate implications

- 9.1 None.

Other significant implications

- 10.1 None.

This report has been approved by the following people:

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