
Joint Local Health and Wellbeing Strategy Delivery Plan Monitoring Report – Q3 2024/25

Report being considered by: Health and Wellbeing Board

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Item for: Discussion



1. Purpose of the Report

This report provides an update on progress with the Joint Local Health and Wellbeing Strategy Delivery Plan.

2. Recommendation(s)

For the Board to:

- (a) Be informed of progress made in implementation of the Delivery Plan;
- (b) Agree that completed actions can be deleted from the Delivery Plan;

3. Executive Summary

3.1 This report provides an update on progress in implementing the Berkshire West Health and Wellbeing Strategy Delivery Plan 2021-2030. A summary of performance in implementing the Delivery Plan is provided below:

	Complete	Green RAG rated	Amber RAG rated	Red RAG rated
Priority 1	0	4	1	0
Priority 2	0	10	0	2
Priority 3	1	2	3	0
Priority 4	1	2	0	0
Priority 5	0	2	1	0
TOTAL	2	20	5	2

3.2 It was agreed at the meeting of the Board on 9 September 2024 that the Delivery Plan should be refreshed, taking account of feedback received as part of the Local Government Association (LGA) review of the Health and Wellbeing Board. As an interim step, a number of actions were removed from the Delivery Plan in December 2024, because they had been completed, or because the actions could not be progressed.

4. Supporting Information

4.1 The Berkshire West Joint Local Health and Wellbeing Strategy (JLHWS) was adopted in December 2021. This sets out five priorities:

- (1) Reduce the differences in health between different groups of people.
 - (2) Support individuals at high risk of bad health outcomes to live healthy lives.
 - (3) Help children and families in early years.
 - (4) Promote good mental health and wellbeing for all children and young people.
 - (5) Promote good mental health and wellbeing for all adults.
- 4.2 Each of the three Health and Wellbeing Boards within the Berkshire West 'Place' has developed its own Delivery Plan to address these shared priorities, tailoring the approach to their particular needs and circumstances. West Berkshire Health and Wellbeing Board developed its Delivery Plan in the second half of 2021.
- 4.3 The opportunity was taken to review the Delivery Plan in the summer of 2023, which reduced the number of actions from over 150 to just over 50. This reflected the fact that good progress had been made, with a number of actions having been completed. In some cases, local needs or circumstances had changed since the Delivery Plan was first developed, so some actions were no longer considered to be relevant. In other cases, it had not been possible to deliver the actions as originally planned due changes in the availability of funding or resources. Also, some actions were considered to be 'business as usual' activities that were delivered and monitored through existing service/business plans, with no need for additional support or oversight through the Health and Wellbeing Board. As a result, some actions were deleted or replaced with new actions.
- 4.4 A similar housekeeping exercise has been performed ahead of the full review of the Delivery Plan which will take place later this year following the conclusion of the LGA review.
- 4.5 There remain 29 'live' actions within the Delivery Plan, which are shown in Appendix A. Of these 2 are now marked as 'Complete', 20, are RAG rated 'Green', 5 are 'Amber', 2 are 'Red'.
- 4.6 'Red' rated actions include:
- **2.5.1: Continue to work together to prevent rough sleeping and reduce the number of people who do sleep rough** – Nationally, numbers of rough sleepers have increased significantly, and although the number in West Berkshire reduced from 21 to 13 in Q3, it remains well above the target of 2. The target will be reviewed for the new Delivery Plan.
 - **2.5.2: Increase dental registration among rough sleepers and those in temporary accommodation** – This is recognised as national issue and a barrier for homeless households. No-one has been able to secure any dental care to engage with our rough sleeper cohort or outreach provision. It is understood that the Health Scrutiny Committee will be discussing dentistry at their meeting on 13 March, so the issue has been highlighted with the Committee Chairman.

- 4.7 Amongst 'Amber' rated actions, issues include resourcing challenges and lack of buy in from partners (e.g. in relation to My Family Plan and co-location for the Early Response Hub in Family Hubs/community spaces).
- 4.8 In terms of the 'Green' rated actions, a notable change since the last meeting is the recommencement of the work around Health in All Policies (1.4.4) and the work with Planning to develop and implement a Health Impact Policy (1.4.6). These are being facilitated by a new resource in the Public Health team and the actions have been given new target dates for completion in 2025.
- 4.9 It should be noted that the following actions are complete and it is recommended that they now be deleted from the action plan:
- **3.1.1 1001 Days Platform** – The digital platform was launched to Health visitors and midwifery colleague earlier this year and since then stickers with a QR code have been printed and given to Community Midwives and Health Visitors for use in the Red Books. The webpage continues to be promoted via FH Antenatal and postnatal courses and on Facebook.
 - **4.7.6 Dedicated 16-25 transitions worker within CYP Substance Misuse Services** – The CYP transitions worker started in post Sept 2024.

5. Options Considered

The Board could choose to note the report and the proposed changes to the Delivery Plan, request further information, propose additional mitigation where actions are not on track, or propose additional actions.

6. Proposal(s)

It is proposed that the Board should be informed of progress in implementation of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy Delivery Plan and agree that completed actions (3,1,1 and 4.7.6) be deleted.

7. Conclusion(s)

Presentation of regular Monitoring Reports allows the Board to be assured that progress towards the Joint Local Health and Wellbeing Strategy priorities is maintained, while highlighting areas where there are challenges and where mitigation may be necessary to restore progress.

8. Consultation and Engagement

The following have been consulted on this report:

- Health and Wellbeing Board Steering Group
- Corporate Board

9. Appendices

Appendix A – Delivery Plan Monitoring Report Q3 2024/25.

Background Papers:

[Berkshire West Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2021-2030](#)

Health and Wellbeing Priorities Supported:

The proposals will support the following Health and Wellbeing Strategy priorities:

- Reduce the differences in health between different groups of people
- Support individuals at high risk of bad health outcomes to live healthy lives
- Help families and young children in early years
- Promote good mental health and wellbeing for all children and young people
- Promote good mental health and wellbeing for all adults

The proposals contained in this report will support the above Health and Wellbeing Strategy priorities by allowing the Board to be assured that progress towards the Joint Local Health and Wellbeing Strategy priorities is maintained, while highlighting areas where there are challenges.
