

## Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) Paper

### 1. Reference Information

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Paper tracking information	
<b>Title:</b>	Health and Wellbeing Strategy Highlight Report
<b>HWBS Priority populations:</b>	All
<b>Priority - 1, 2 and/or 3</b>	All
<b>Outcomes/System Capabilities:</b>	All
<b>Principles for Working with Communities:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community capacity building: 'Building trust and relationships'</li> <li>• Co-designing: 'Deciding together'</li> <li>• Co-producing: 'Delivering together'</li> <li>• Community-led action: 'Communities leading, with support when they need it'</li> </ul>
<b>Interventions for reducing health inequalities:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Civic / System Level interventions</li> <li>• Service Based interventions</li> <li>• Community Led interventions</li> </ul>
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<b>Related papers:</b>	N/A
<b>Annexes/Appendices</b>	Appendix 1 - Highlight Report

## 2. Executive summary

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This paper provides an overview of the progress in the delivery of the [Health and Wellbeing Strategy](#) (HWB Strategy) as of 19 February 2024. The Highlight Report itself, in a new, more accessible, web friendly format, provides:

- An overview of activity against Health and Wellbeing Strategy's Summary Implementation Plan projects and programmes, describing what has been achieved with the Priority Populations and against the Priorities/Outcomes.
- Identifies new data, insights and challenges that have arisen.
- The progress of the review of the [Joint Strategic Needs Assessment](#) (JSNA) chapters.
- Communication activity associated with the HWB Strategy's Priority Population and Priorities /Outcomes.

## 3. Recommendations

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The Board is asked to:

1. Use the [Highlight Reports](#) and [Engagement Slides](#) to increase awareness of delivery against the HWB Strategy and recently published / upcoming JSNA chapters through their organisations.
2. Note the opportunities/challenges including:
  - The Office for the Police and Crime Commissioner for 24/25 and 25/26 has made an allocation for the Changing Futures/Bridge the Gap programme but further sustainability funding is still required from further system partners.
  - SCC funding has also been secured through Transformation & Design for a further 12 months for the fuel poverty programme co-ordination.
  - Changes in funding for suicide prevention previously highlighted (including training) is creating a significant risk to continued delivery of projects by VCSE providers in the county.
  - The HWB Strategy Index continues to progress work on indicators; a scorecard /annual review will come to the June HWB Board meeting to allow time for a comprehensive suite of indicators to be finalised and included.

## 4. Detail

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### Highlight Report - In the Spotlight:

#### Priority 1

#### Surrey Heartlands Diabetes Network

The Network aims to improve the lives of people of all ages living with or at risk of developing diabetes across Surrey Heartlands. Plans are already in place to establish a multi-disciplinary team working group to review the provision of structured

education across Surrey and to help achieve the target of people attending structured education within 1 year of diagnosis. Furthermore, this work will ensure appropriate provision for different communities where required, such as the pilot work with tailored structured education for people from South Asian communities, who are at greater risk and whose risk of developing diabetes starts at a younger age.

Children and Young People (CYP) focused work includes successful engagement with CYP diabetes specialist nurses in East Surrey, and exploration of partnership working with CYP safe havens and youth workers to better reach and support this population.

The Diabetes Programme, using learning from Diabetes UK and Bedford, Luton and Milton Keynes (BLMK) ICB pregnancy and preconception project, will scope potential modelling of a similar offer in Surrey Heartlands. A particular focus will be on people aged 18-39 who are living with Type 2, are pregnant/planning for pregnancy.

## Priority 2

**The Surrey All Age Mental Health Investment Fund** has awarded funding to 13 projects providing innovative, community-focused programmes to support the prevention of mental ill health and improvement of emotional well-being across the county.

Round 2 of applications took place in July 2023. There were 64 bids submitted of which 13 were successfully awarded total funding of approximately £3.6M. This is in addition to the £530,000 awarded in round 1. They cover a broad age range and are spread across the 11 districts and boroughs of Surrey. Each project has been mapped to the HWB Strategy Priority Populations including the Key Neighbourhoods.

Full details of the successful projects, including the amounts awarded and their geographical coverage, can be found [here](#).

The MHIF Oversight Sub-Group of the Mental Health Prevention Board will be providing oversight and assurance in the form of the quarterly reporting from the round 1 and round 2 schemes. Further proposals for the allocation of remaining funding for 2024/25 are being taken to the 20 March meeting of the Surrey-Wide Commissioning Committees in Common.

## Priority 3

### Access to food banks

The Surrey Coalition for Disabled People released a report in late 2023 concerning how the Cost of Living situation was disproportionately affecting disabled people. The report noted that disabled people were struggling to pay their energy and food bills, with some people skipping meals or not being able to put their heating on. Furthermore, the report highlighted that members of the Coalition were not accessing food banks, so the Coalition sought to understand how to help improve access.

The Coalition conducted an online survey. The findings suggest that only 32% previously accessed food banks, food clubs and/or community cupboards, 72% did not know what food support was available in their area and 62.5% were unable to find information easily. Some participants expressed uncertainty about whether food banks could accommodate for wheat-free, gluten-free, or diabetic diets.

Individuals who have utilized food support in the past have noted the difficulties with accessibility include stigma associated with seeking assistance, transportation for individuals who had not previously sought food assistance, navigating the complicated referral process and the belief that others may be more deserving.

The Coalition is joining forces with SCC and local food banks throughout Surrey to ensure accessibility for residents with disabilities. Furthermore, The Coalition will continue promoting food banks and other food resources to their members, raising awareness about these crucial services. A list of Surrey's food support has been compiled within the full report on this research, which is [here](#) ([purple pins on Google map](#)).

## 5. Opportunities/Challenges

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### Opportunities

**The further development of the HWB Strategy Index** - Members should note the web link [Health and Wellbeing Strategy Index | Surrey-i \(surreyi.gov.uk\)](#). A scorecard/first annual report against the Index will be produced for the June HWB meeting. This report will highlight indicators where there is a notable direction of travel which will require further analysis. Trends across the overarching indicators for inequalities in life expectancy/healthy life expectancy and county level indicators for the Priority Populations will also be reported. This will create a baseline for annual reviews.

### Priority 1

**Carers** - the Joint Carers Programme (SCC and Surrey Heartlands) is currently fully resourced with staff and the Young Carers Programme now has two young carer champions within the Children's and Families Lifelong Learning Directorate, one being the Assistant Director for Family Safeguarding and the other being Assistant Director for Inclusion and Additional Needs.

**Changing Futures** – a funding commitment has been made by the Office for the Police and Crime Commissioner for 24/25 and 25/26 for the Changing Futures/Bridge the Gap programmes as part of the need to secure sustainable funding after March 2025.

**Making Every Contact Count (MECC)** - funding for training identified for 2024-25 will increase capacity to manage programme via the training provider.

## Priority 2

**Mental Health: Prevention Board** - members have provided steers on taking forward published JSNA Housing and Related Support and Migrant Health Rapid Needs Assessment chapter recommendations related to mental health and emotional well-being. This is based on system knowledge of work underway and new collaborative opportunities across sectors across the Surrey system.

## Priority 3

**Fuel Poverty** - following a detailed cost review and discussions with partners, SCC should be able to fund a similar level of Warm Welcome scheme (including fuel vouchers & appliances for Surrey Crisis Fund) through partnership investment in 2024/25. A grant funding application for this and other schemes is being drafted for Southern Gas Network. SCC funding has also been secured through Transformation & Design for a further 12 months for the programme co-ordination.

## Challenges

**The further development of the HWB Strategy Index** - it is taking longer than expected to arrive at a complete set of agreed indicators upon which to form a baseline/first annual report. There are a number of gaps in indicators within the HWB Strategy Index, particularly for Priority Two, Outcomes two, three and four and Priority One, Outcomes three and five. Item on progress is to come to the June HWB Board with additional indicators included to address these gaps.

## Priority 1

**Changing Futures** – A significant amount continues to be needed to sustain the trauma informed outreach for those experiencing Multiple Disadvantage. The Changing Futures Team in collaboration with the Bridge the Gap VCSE Alliance providers and other system partners has submitted bids for sustainability funding from April 2025 for Bridge the Gap to Gamble Aware and Guildford and Waverley Local Joint Commissioning Board. Further bids will be submitted to the four-place based Local Joint Commissioning Boards. Representation has also been made to the Commissioning Collaborative. Philanthropic donations will also be sought.

## Priority 2

**Green Health and Well-being** - A meeting took place in mid-January for SCC and Surrey Heartlands senior directors to discuss the future funding of the Green Health and Well-being programme, as per the action at the November informal HWB Board meeting. The Programme Manager has been tasked with producing an options appraisal paper. The Green Health and Well-being programme will begin a wind-down of activities if further funding is not secured. An extension to the original Green Social Prescribing funding is being made to National Academy for Social Prescribing/HM Treasury.

**Suicide Prevention** - With changes in the national strategy, Service Development Funding (SDF) from NHS England for NHS Long term plan priorities and population

priorities funding will no longer be allocated specifically for suicide prevention work in Surrey after March 2024. The SCC Public Health Principal is preparing a paper, including researching benefits realisation, to the commissioning, contracting and commercial committee at Surrey Heartlands, with a business case for funding to sustain the existing suicide prevention programme. The Mental Health: Prevention Board continue to review in order to support these alternative funding proposals as they develop.

**Autism Specific Suicide Prevention Training** - as part of the Emotional Well-being and Mental Health Children and Young People's Strategy, this cannot be rolled out without additional funding. Autism Oxford are currently working on a closing report about the existing programme including details of what has been done, its impact and staff training materials.

### Priority 3

The projected date for the UK Poverty Commission's Final Report will not now be until May 2024. An item on a Whole System Approach to Poverty is currently scheduled for the May 2024 informal HWB Board meeting.

## **6. What communications and engagement has happened/needs to happen?**

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All Board members are requested to share the Highlight Reports widely within their respective organisations and utilise the HWB Strategy engagement slides as appropriate.

## **7. Next steps**

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- The most recent [Highlight Report](#) is available at this web link on the Healthy Surrey web page 24 hours after the Board meeting.
- The HWB Strategy engagement slides are available on the Surrey County Council Community Engagement SharePoint site [here](#).