

SUNDERLAND PLACE PLAN AND NORTH EAST AND NORTH CUMBRIA JOINT FORWARD PLAN

Report of the NENC ICB Place Director for Sunderland

1.0 Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 To present the Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) with the proposed final Sunderland Place Plan 2023/24 – 2028/29 for review and approval. The plan will form part of the North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board's (NENC ICB) Joint Forward Plan.
- 1.2 To advise the HWB on the proposed timeline for the publication of the NENC ICB's, Joint Forward Plan and associated consultation process.

2.0 Background

- 2.1 Each of the Local Authority areas across the North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board (NENC ICB), are required to pull together a plan for place that will set out place-based priorities for health and care integration over the next 1-5 years.
- 2.2 The place plan will form part of the NENC ICB's and partner NHS Trust's statutory [Joint Forward Plan](#) arrangement, which represents one overarching document that covers the NENC ICB area and includes actions plans for:
 - The four goals of the Integrated Care Partnership's (ICP's), Integrated Care Strategy ([Better Health and Wellbeing for All](#)):
 - Healthier lives
 - Fairer outcomes
 - Best start in life
 - Improving health and care services
 - Each of the enablers identified within the ICP strategy:
 - A skilled, compassionate and sufficient workforce
 - Working together to strengthen neighbourhoods and place
 - Innovating with improved technology, data, equipment, research and estates
 - Making the best use of resources.
 - Local Authority (or group of Local Authority) Place Plans
 - Service areas
- 2.3 In March 2023, Sunderland's Joint Consultative Forum - which evolved into the Sunderland Place Committee on 19 May 2023 – agreed a draft plan which was presented to the Health and Wellbeing Board on 17 March 2023. The

draft plan was subsequently reviewed by the NENC ICB to support further improvement of the plan, ahead of final submission on 26 May 2023.

- 2.4 Alongside the development of Place Plans, the NENC ICB published a draft Joint Forward Plan, which was subsequently rescinded pending further improvement. A final draft version of the Joint Forward Plan is expected to be published on 14 June 2023.
- 2.5 This report includes a brief overview of the changes that has been applied to the draft Place Plan, alongside a copy of the final Place Plan that was submitted to the ICB on 26 May 2023 (Appendix 1). The report additionally includes a timetable of the updated Joint Forward Plan consultation and publication process.

3.0 Summary of Changes to the Sunderland Place Plan

- 3.1 Following review at the Health and Wellbeing Board (17 March 2023) and participation in an NENC-ICB Place Plan Improvement session (18 April 2023), the following high-level changes were made to the draft Sunderland Place Plan:
- The scope of the plan was refined to include ICB-specific actions and deliverables in relation the Integrated Care Strategy and Healthy City Plan. This would enable the Place Plan to add additional value, by creating increased accountability within the ICB for delivering on ICB-related elements of the respective plans.
 - 'Ageing Well' has been added to the prioritisation framework of the Sunderland Place Plan. Whilst ageing well objectives and actions formed part of the draft Place Plan, the lack of explicit mention of 'ageing well' within the prioritisation framework, risked the older person's agenda being lost in the wider content of the plan. As such, ageing well has been added under priority 2 - '*Enabling people to live and age well*'.
 - Compliance with the planning and policy framework of the Better Care Fund has been added as a key objective within priority 1 of the Place Plan ('*Strengthening Primary and Community Care*'). This was included in recognition of the importance of agreeing a robust and impactful BCF plan for place and to ensure there was clear linkages between the BCF and Place Plan without duplicating key actions and deliverables.
 - A fifth priority has been added to the Place Plan prioritisation framework to increase visibility and action on key system enablers. The new priority ("Delivering place-shaping innovation and sustainability through investment in critical system enablers") will help fill a current gap within place-based governance arrangements to develop system-wide approaches to: workforce, integrated commissioning (including community co-production), digital and technological innovation, research and intelligence, financial sustainability and estates.
- 3.2 The proposed final version of the Place Plan can be found in Appendix 1.

4.0 The North East and North Cumbria Joint Forward Plan

4.1 A revised version of the NENC Joint Forward Plan (JFP) will be published on 14 June 2023. A verbal update of the plan will be presented to the HWB on 22 June 2023, with a HWB development session planned for 3 August 2023 to formally review and respond to the JFP consultation process. A high-level timetable of the JFP publication and consultation process has been outlined below for information:

Date	Action
14 June 2023	Draft overarching JFP shared with stakeholders for feedback
21 June 2023	ICP meeting to consider the draft JFP
27 June 2023	ICB Board to approve to the JFP for publication as final draft
July and August 2023	Stakeholder feedback, including HWBs and NHS Trusts
September 2023	Final JFP Published

5.0 Recommendations

- 5.1 The Health and Wellbeing Board is recommended to:
- Review and approve the proposed final Sunderland Place Plan, subject to agreement on proposed changes.
 - Note the timetable for the Joint Forward Plan development process and respond to the request for stakeholder feedback via the planned HWB development session on 3 August 2023.

