



To: Coventry Health and Wellbeing Board

Date: 23 January 2023

Subject: Coventry and Warwickshire Integrated Health and Wellbeing Forum

1 Purpose

- 1.1 The first meeting of the new Coventry and Warwickshire Integrated Health and Wellbeing Forum took place on 13 October 2022. This paper updates the Board on the outcomes of that meeting.
- 1.2 A key focus of the meeting was to inform the development of the Integrated Care Strategy and ensure that this was shaped by leaders from across the wider system, with an emphasis on population health, inequalities and prevention.

2 Recommendations

- 2.1 Members are requested to **NOTE FOR INFORMATION** the outcomes of the first meeting of the Integrated Health and Wellbeing Forum.

3 Background

- 3.1 On 3 October 2022 the Board endorsed the establishment of Coventry and Warwickshire Integrated Health and Wellbeing Forum, with the two Health and Wellbeing Boards and the Integrated Care Partnership as core members.
- 3.2 The purpose of the Forum is to play an advisory role for the ICS and to reflect a breadth of views informed by working with local communities from across Coventry and Warwickshire. It is intended that the Forum will meet 2-3 times per year.

4 Integrated Health and Wellbeing Forum meeting, 13 October 2022

- 4.1 The first meeting of the Integrated Health and Wellbeing Forum was held in Coventry on 13 October, with around 30 members attending.
- 4.2 The aims of this session were to:
 - Reconnect as an integrated forum face to face
 - Update on recent changes to the system and reflect on the role of the Forum in relation to this current context
 - Take an active role in engaging in the development of the C&W Integrated Care Strategy and contribute to identifying what is most critical
 - Identify a shared ambition for the ICS and the opportunities this presents, building on the success of partnership working to date.
- 4.3 The meeting was supported by independent facilitators from NHS Elect – Chief Executive, Caroline Dove and Associate, Jan Samuel. This external facilitation helped to ensure the meeting provided a genuine opportunity for engagement of and between system leaders.

5 Outcomes and next steps

- 5.1 The meeting reflected on the opportunities and benefits of the statutory Integrated Care System, building on the legacy and ambitions of the former Coventry and Warwickshire

Joint Place Forum around improving population health outcomes, tackling inequalities, and embracing the wider determinants of health. It was noted that the core principles of the ICP are based on the joint health and wellbeing concordat agreed by Place Forum partners.

5.2 Group discussions focused on development of the Integrated Care Strategy, and on how partners could contribute to and collectively hold each other to account for its delivery and impact. Members were invited to provide feedback on the draft priorities and enablers – whether they were the right ones, what is most critical for our system now, and how partner organisations might contribute to delivering the strategy.

5.3 Key messages from the meeting include:

- There needs to be a collective commitment to investment in preventative approaches, irrespective of immediate pressures, and an agreement and clarity about what we mean by this (eg. primary prevention, secondary prevention, early intervention etc).
- Agreement that tackling health inequalities is a key driver that runs through everything we do, and something that all partners can commit to.
- The need to identify specific, practical actions that partners can coalesce around, and the importance of using data and evidence to inform priorities and spending decisions and to evaluate the impact of collective action.
- The significance of culture, relationships and trust, and the importance of the ICP principles as the basis for this – especially in face of uncomfortable and challenging decisions.
- People and communities should be at the heart of everything we do and core to how we hold ourselves to account collectively. We should measure our success in terms of impact on communities and use personal stories to engage partners in understanding the impact of collective action.
- There are some particularly burning issues that partners need to focus on together, which include
 - the health and care workforce (including the informal workforce);
 - the wider determinants of health (impacting 80% of people's health and wellbeing); and
 - the role of social care in supporting system resilience and enabling people to live independently at home.

5.4 The Forum noted the next steps in the development of the Integrated Care Strategy, including approval of the final draft Strategy by the Integrated Care Partnership in December, and the opportunity for Health and Wellbeing Boards to align the Health and Wellbeing Strategy development process with Integrated Care Strategy and 5-Year Integrated Care Plan development and engagement at their meetings in January 2023.

5.5 Members commented on the value of meeting together in this format and suggested that more frequent meetings might be considered. The Forum will next meet in person on 2 March 2023 in Warwick.

6 Conclusion

6.1 The successful first meeting of Coventry and Warwickshire Integrated Health and Wellbeing Forum demonstrated its value as a mechanism for continued collaboration that recognises, embraces and enhances the role and contribution of all partners and provides system leadership around the wider health and wellbeing agenda.

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