

Briefing Note

Title: Health Inequalities Dashboard Update**Date: 04 October 2022****Prepared by: Madeleine Freewood****Job Title: Partnership and Governance Lead****Intended Audience:**Internal Partner organisation Public Confidential

Purpose

To provide the Health and Wellbeing Together membership with an update regarding the development and implementation of a Health Inequalities monitoring framework.

Background

The Health and Wellbeing Together Health Inequalities Strategy¹ outlines the Board's commitment to understanding health inequalities in the City and undertaking a systematic and joined-up response through the implementation of five key principles:

- Adopting an agreed approach to data capture
- Ensuring health inequalities are an integral part of the design and delivery of services
- Ensuring health inequalities are included in the allocation of resources
- Understanding each organisations role as employers with respect to health inequalities
- Acting as advocates for health inequality

An associated high-level monitoring framework has been developed and is currently being piloted as a means to provide City partners with a resource to help align activity, enable system join-up, identify gaps and prevent duplication.

Progress to Date

Following consultation with partners, the Local Authority created a SharePoint site to capture discreet partnership activity aligned to the current Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy priority areas that have a focus on health inequalities.

Public Health, the Integrated Care Board at place and the Royal Wolverhampton Trust have provided activity detail for inclusion on the site allowing us to test the current template and build reporting dashboard tools.

Next Steps

The current SharePoint template will be reviewed to take into account partner and Board feedback, reflect recent changes to the health and care environment with the creation of Integrated Care

¹ <https://www.wolverhampton.gov.uk/sites/default/files/2021-11/Wolverhampton%20Health%20Inequalities%20Strategy%202021-2023.pdf>

Systems and take into account the forthcoming refresh of the Board's Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy, which is due for renewal next year.

Approach to Reporting Going Forward

It is proposed that a high-level update will be presented to each meeting of the Health and Wellbeing Together Board going forward. This will then be accompanied by a topic-specific deep dive.