

LONDON BOROUGH OF CROYDON

REPORT:	Health and Wellbeing Board	
DATE OF DECISION	18 th January 2023	
REPORT TITLE:	Croydon Mental Health Summit – November 2022	
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AUTHORITY TO TAKE DECISION:	<i>Constitution of the London Borough of Croydon - Part 4.L</i> It is a function of the Health and Wellbeing board to encourage, for the purpose of advancing the health and wellbeing of people in Croydon, persons who arrange for the provision of any health or social care services in Croydon, to work in an integrated manner and the Summit and its outcome arose from that.	
KEY DECISION? [Insert Ref. Number if a Key Decision]	No	N/A
CONTAINS EXEMPT INFORMATION?	NO	Public
WARDS AFFECTED:	All	

1 REPORT

- 1.1 The Croydon Mental Health Summit was held at Braithwaite Hall on the 18th November 2022, 9.45am-1pm.
- 1.2 The event was held to deliver a Mayoral campaign commitment to hold a summit with Croydon Citizens and delivers against the Mayor’s Business plan 2022-2026 Outcome 5, People can lead healthier and independent lives for longer, Priority 2, work closely with health services and the Voluntary Community and Faith Sector (VCFS) to improve resident health and reduce health inequalities.

- 1.3 The event was jointly hosted by the Health and Wellbeing Board and Croydon Citizen's. The Chair of the Board, Cllr Hopley, welcomed attendees alongside Mother Susan Wheeler- Kiley of Croydon Citizens.
- 1.4 The Key notes were delivered by Sir Norman Lamb, Chair of South London and the Maudsley; Rt Revd Dr Rosemarie Mallett, Bishop of Croydon; and Jason Perry the Executive Mayor of Croydon.
- 1.5 There were 100 participants from across community groups and the health and social care sector.
- 1.6 The Slides presented and outline of the day are included within appendix A along with the feedback from the outbreak sessions from participants in appendix B.
- 1.7 Participants shared their experiences around barriers to access and signposting and treatment in the community as well as looking at the opportunities around mental health in the current health and wellbeing strategies in Croydon.
- 1.8 There was lively discussion on the day and consensus around the importance of mental health and wellbeing as a driver of good health, that there is more to be done around access to mental health and looking at the structural barriers and drivers of health inequalities that impact on poor mental health. There was a theme around fragmentation of the mental health support offer and the need for strong leadership and more join up of strategies and services.
- 1.9 Croydon Citizens agreed to take the findings to continue their work engaging with communities and working to support primary care.
- 1.10 The feedback will be used to inform the refresh of the Croydon Health and Wellbeing Strategy.

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

The Health and Wellbeing Board is recommended:

- 2.1 to note the outcomes of the summit.
- 2.2 to note that a further report will be brought to the Health and Wellbeing board with recommendations and proposed process and timeline for commencing the development of proposals for inclusion in a new Local Health and Wellbeing Strategy with the outcomes of the summit being fed into the process.

3 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 To share the outcome of the Croydon Mental Health Summit

- 3.2 To integrate the learning from the Mental Health Summit into the development process of a Local Health and Wellbeing Strategy.

4 BACKGROUND AND DETAILS

- 4.1 *The Mayor made a campaign promise to hold a Summit around mental health and primary care with Croydon Citizens.*
- 4.2 *It is a statutory function of the board to develop a Joint Local Health and Wellbeing Strategy however the adoption of the Strategy is a matter which is reserved to Full Council. The current strategy was published in February 2019.*

5 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 5.1 *The Mental Health Summit was designed with Croydon Citizens to fulfil a Mayoral campaign pledge.*

6 CONSULTATION

- 6.1 *Members of the public were consulted as part of the event.*
- 6.2 *The development of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy will build on other existing local health strategies and will utilise the outcomes of previous engagement. It will also build on the evidence from the local Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and undertake additional engagement and consultation as required.*

7. CONTRIBUTION TO COUNCIL PRIORITIES

- 1.11 *The summit was the delivery of a Mayoral commitment and delivers against the Mayor's Business plan 2022-2026 Outcome 5, People can lead healthier and independent lives for longer, Priority 2, work closely with health services and the VCFS to improve resident health and reduce health inequalities.*

8. IMPLICATIONS

8.1 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 8.1.1 There are no direct financial implications as a result of this report. Any future financial impact will be fully considered as part of subsequent reports as they arise.
- 8.1.2 Comments approved by Lesley Shields, Head of Finance for Assistant Chief Executive and Resources on behalf of the Director of Finance. (Date 10/1/2023)

8.2 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 8.2.1** The establishment, composition and functions of the Health and Wellbeing Board are set out in the Health and Social Care Act 2012, sections 194-196.
- 8.2.2** Section 116A of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007, as amended by the Health and Care Act 2022 provides that the responsible local authority and each of its partner integrated care boards must prepare a strategy (“a joint local health and wellbeing strategy”) setting out how the assessed needs in relation to the responsible local authority’s area are to be met by the exercise of functions of—
- (a) the responsible local authority,
 - (b) its partner integrated care boards, or
 - (c) NHS England.
- 8.2.3** The responsible local authority and its partner integrated care boards need not prepare a new joint local health and wellbeing strategy if, having considered the integrated care strategy, they consider that the existing joint local health and wellbeing strategy is sufficient.
- 8.2.4** In preparing a strategy under this section, the responsible local authority and each of its partner integrated care boards must, in particular, consider the extent to which the assessed needs could be met more effectively by the making of arrangements under section 75 of the National Health Service Act 2006 (rather than in any other way). In addition, the responsible local authority and each of its partner integrated care boards must have regard to the integrated care strategy prepared under section 116ZB, of the 2007 Act, the mandate published by the Secretary of State under section 13A of the National Health Service Act 2006, and any guidance issued by the Secretary of State. In this regard the current statutory guidance is the Department of Health guidance “Statutory Guidance on Joint Strategic Needs Assessments and Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategies” from 2013 which is due to be updated following the 2022 legislative changes. There is also published non-statutory guidance “Health and Wellbeing Boards- guidance” dated 22 November 2022 which is of relevance.
- 8.2.5** In preparing a strategy under this section, the responsible local authority and each of its partner integrated care boards must—(a) involve the Local Healthwatch organisation for the area of the responsible local authority, and (b) involve the people who live or work in that area.
- 8.2.6** The responsible local authority must publish each strategy prepared by it under this section.
- 8.2.7** The Health and Wellbeing Board continues to be responsible for the development of joint strategic needs assessments and joint local health and wellbeing strategies but the function of approving any Local Health and Wellbeing Strategy is a matter reserved to Full Council under Part 2 of the Constitution.

8.3 EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

8.3.1 The Mental Health summit crosses all equality characteristics in that mental health concerns may impact all members of the community. As such the development of a strategy will also benefit all characteristics in the Croydon community.

8.3.2 The invitation to the Mental Health Summit was shared widely through community groups including an emphasis on minoritized groups and experts by experience. The summit also had a focus on improving mental health outcomes for racialised groups.

8.3.3 Development of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy will include an equalities impact assessment which will identify equality implications for all characteristics.

8.3.4 Comments approved by Denise McCausland Equalities Programme Manager (10/01/2023)

9. APPENDICES

9.1 *A Croydon Mental Health Summit Slides*

9.2 *B Croydon Mental Health Summit Participant Feedback*