

Report of the Director of Health and Wellbeing to the meeting of Bradford South Area Committee to be held on 26th January 2023

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Subject:

PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELLBEING IN THE BRADFORD SOUTH AREA

Summary statement:

This short overview report is published with a data appendix relating to health and wellbeing in Bradford South.

EQUALITY & DIVERSITY:

Equality impacts and any potential contribution to Equality objectives will be addressed at the meeting.

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Overview & Scrutiny Area:

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1. SUMMARY

This report aims to update members on local health and wellbeing data and information for the Bradford South Area. The appendix outlines a range of health and wellbeing issues, needs and disparities for people living in the Bradford South area compared to the District as a whole.

2. BACKGROUND

Bradford District has relatively high rates of many health inequalities compared to the rest of the country, these inequalities can be much higher in some areas of the District, with Bradford South being one of these areas.

Bradford South has a similar population age distribution as the district as a whole, except a higher proportion of people aged between 45-60 years old. Bradford South's population has grown 2.8% since 2015 – this is slightly more than the district average (2.3%). Bradford South has the third highest proportion of non-white residents in the district.

The data appendix to this report shows that many indicators of health and wellbeing outcomes for people living in the Bradford South area are slightly or significantly worse than the average for the District as a whole.

For example, the 2018-20 life expectancy for males living in Bradford South is 76.4 years, which is lower than the district average. The female life expectancy females in Bradford South is higher at 80.3 years. Male life expectancy is lower than the district average in three of the six Bradford South wards and female life expectancy is lower than the district average in five out of the six Bradford South wards.

Further information provided for the meeting will update committee members on services and interventions to support improvement in wellbeing and protect the public's health.

3. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

Many services and interventions delivered by public health are organised Districtwide. Where possible the information provided will report on service delivery and service outcomes for people living in the Bradford South area.

4. FINANCIAL & RESOURCE APPRAISAL

The report does not contain financial or resource recommendations or decisions.

5. RISK MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES

The governance of matters relating to health and wellbeing is through the Wellbeing Board. As the recommendations for the meeting are for the committee to consider the data appendix and further information provided at the meeting

6. LEGAL APPRAISAL

Under the Health and Social Care Act 2012 Regulations (18 6C) the Council, through the Director of Public Health, assumed duties formerly held by various NHS bodies, primarily those of Health Improvement and Health Protection.

7. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

7.1 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

Improvements to health and wellbeing are a component of building a sustainable district, supporting communities and the workforce.

7.2 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS IMPACTS

The report makes no specific recommendations relevant to Greenhouse Gas Emissions.

7.3 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

Community safety concerns impact on people's sense of health and wellbeing at an individual, family and community-wide level. This is particularly relevant in relation to crime and the fear of crime; drug and alcohol use and the sale of illicit tobacco. These issues can disrupt feelings of safety and security in communities and can contribute to low level anxiety and have a detrimental impact on mental wellbeing. Public Health contributes to a number of key programmes addressing Community Safety concerns.

7.4 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

There are no direct implications arising from the Human Rights Act in relation to this report however improvements to health and wellbeing can contribute significantly to overall quality of life for individuals and families.

7.5 TRADE UNION

N/A

7.6 WARD IMPLICATIONS

See ward-level data contained in the data appendix.

7.7 AREA COMMITTEE ACTION PLAN IMPLICATIONS (for reports to Area Committees only)

This report has been prepared for Bradford South Area Committee and includes data and information for the six wards within the area; Great Horton, Queensbury, Royds, Tong, Wibsey and Wyke wards.

Where possible data and service details are provided at ward level, where this is not possible, for example because it is not collected and reported at ward level, then district-wide activity and information has been provided. The content of the report and further information brought to the meeting will support the focus on health and wellbeing in the Bradford South Area Committee Action Plan.

7.8 IMPLICATIONS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

The role of local authorities and the application of corporate parenting principles are set out in section 1 of the Children and Social Work Act 2017. In order to thrive, children and young people have certain key needs that good parents generally meet. Local authorities must have regard to these seven needs identified in the Children and Social Work Act, when exercising their functions in relation to looked-after children and care leavers (relevant children and former relevant children) as follows:

- to act in the best interests, and promote the physical and mental health and wellbeing, of those children and young people
- to encourage those children and young people to express their views, wishes and feelings
- to take into account the views, wishes and feelings of those children and young people
- to help those children and young people gain access to, and make the best use of, services provided by the local authority and its relevant partners
- to promote high aspirations, and seek to secure the best outcomes, for those children and young people
- for those children and young people to be safe, and for stability in their home lives, relationships and education or work; and
- to prepare those children and young people for adulthood and independent living. In common with other areas of the district there will be 'looked after' children resident in Bradford South for whom the Local Authority has Corporate Parenting responsibility.

These may be children and young people living in temporary housing and/or foster care, or other settings where the Council retains a Corporate Parenting role. This responsibility will remain despite the proposed arrangements for a Children's Company. Ensuring the safety and well-being of children is a requirement of all Council officers not only those whose specific job is to work with looked after children. As such, arrangements for the delivery of services should include specific terms to ensure that this important statutory role is maintained and supported.

7.9 ISSUES ARISING FROM PRIVACY IMPACT ASSESMENT

The Council has a privacy notice in place and as this report contains no personal data there are no impacts under the relevant data management and/or data sharing legislation.

8. NOT FOR PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS

None

9. OPTIONS

- 9.1 That Bradford South Area Committee considers the contents of this report and further information provided in relation to the Bradford South Area Plan.
- 9.2 That Bradford South Area Committee continues to encourage the communities and residents of Bradford South to take up all available and relevant wellbeing offers in order to maximise their health and wellbeing.

10. RECOMMENDATIONS

The views of the committee are requested on issues outlined in the data appendix and on the further information to be discussed at the meeting.

11. APPENDICES

Public Health profile Bradford South – June 2022

12. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

None