

Bath & North East Somerset Council

MEETING/ DECISION MAKER:	Children, Adults, Health & Wellbeing Policy Development & Scrutiny Panel	
MEETING/ DECISION DATE:	18 January 2022	EXECUTIVE FORWARD PLAN REFERENCE:
TITLE:	Update on public engagement for the BSW Health and Care Model	
WARD:	All	
AN OPEN PUBLIC ITEM		
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<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Powerpoint slides: BSW Health and Care Model Engagement Update – Jan 22		

1 THE ISSUE

1.1 The BSW Partnership has recently completed a six week public engagement exercise on the development of the new BSW Health and Care Model. This report includes an update on that engagement exercise and the Panel is asked to note the report and provide guidance on requirements for reporting again in March 2022.

2 RECOMMENDATION

The Panel is asked to;

2.1 Note the emerging findings of the recent public engagement on the BSW Health and Care Model and the next steps that are planned for January and February.

2.2 Approve the request for the report authors to return in March 2022 and provide guidance on any further information that will be required for the Panel to conclude whether a Formal Public Consultation will be required or whether the model can now be developed into more detail, with further public engagement.

2.3 Advise on whether a Council Equality Impact Assessment will be required in March 2022.

3 THE REPORT

- 3.1 In 2021, the BSW Partnership delivered a project to develop a new BSW Health and Care Model. The purpose of this is to provide a single strategic vision for the future of health and care in the BSW Partnership Integrated Care System (ICS). Doing this now means that the different stakeholders in the new BSW Partnership ICS have a common vision to use to align their operational plans and transformation programmes. This will become all the more important when the Integrated Care Board and Integrated Care Partnership launch as statutory vehicles – now planned for July 2022.
- 3.2 The draft BSW Health and Care Model was completed in October 2021. A six week period of public engagement was conducted from 2nd November to 14th December 2021. The engagement plan included an online survey, a large number of engagement meetings and workshops (mostly online) and two open public meetings.
- 3.3 915 survey responses were received. Over 1400 people engaged in 51 engagement events. The data gathered during the engagement process is currently being analysed and a report on the outcomes of the engagement is due on 17th January 2022.
- 3.4 Following receipt of the report, the Health and Care Model will be updated to reflect the feedback gathered during the engagement. Initial findings suggest that the model is fundamentally sound and people generally support it. Most of the feedback received related to detailed questions about whether a particular group of people or health condition or service was included in the model. A lot of feedback related to issues with current service provision – for example, availability of GP appointments and NHS dentists. There was strong feedback relating to the phrase “digital by default” and concern that digital technology might exclude particular individuals and groups.
- 3.5 The model will be updated to incorporate the feedback from the public engagement. It is likely that a more detailed narrative document will be produced to explain the model in more detail which will address a lot of the feedback which asked for more detail.
- 3.6 The final report on the engagement and the updated model will go to the BSW Partnership Executive (18th Feb) and the BSW Partnership Board (25th Feb) for approval.
- 3.7 The panel is asked to note the emerging findings of the recent public engagement on the BSW Health and Care Model and the next steps that are planned for January and February.**
- 3.8 In parallel with this work, the Royal United Hospital (RUH) is finalising a business case to submit for capital funding. The business case is aligned to the BSW Health and Care Model. To submit the business case, RUH is required to demonstrate that public engagement on the model that the business case is built on has been sufficient and that no formal public consultation is required at this time.

3.9 The report authors would like to return to the Panel in March 2022 to present the final report and updated Health and Care Model and to ask the Panel to confirm that no formal public consultation is required at this time.

3.10 **The Panel is asked to approve the request for the report authors to return in March 2022 and provide guidance on any further information that will be required for the Panel to conclude what further public engagement or consultation is required at this time at the March meeting.**

4 STATUTORY CONSIDERATIONS

4.1 No known statutory considerations.

5 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (FINANCE, PROPERTY, PEOPLE)

5.1 No known resource implications.

6 RISK MANAGEMENT

6.1 A risk assessment related to the issue and recommendations has been undertaken, in compliance with the Council's decision making risk management guidance.

6.2 Risks relating to this work are owned and managed by the project team working on this at the BSW Partnership.

7 EQUALITIES

7.1 An Equality Impact Assessment has not been carried out at this stage as the work is still in progress.

7.2 **The Panel is asked to advise on whether a Council Equality Impact Assessment will be required in March 2022.**

8 CLIMATE CHANGE

8.1 The BSW Health and Care Model will align operational plans and transformation plans across the new ICS which will contribute positively to carbon neutral ambitions. For example, a major part of the model involves providing more health and care services online, in people's homes and closer to where people live, rather than in large specialist centres in a small number of locations. Changes like this will significantly reduce travel and transport requirements related to health and care.

8.2 The BSW Partnership will be producing a Green Plan which will cover this in more detail.

9 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

9.1 None.

10 CONSULTATION

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Background papers	<i>None</i>
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