

Joint Strategic Needs Assessment

Background and Context

The Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) reports on the health and wellbeing needs of the people of Hillingdon. It brings together detailed information on local health and wellbeing needs and looks ahead at emerging challenges and projected future needs of local communities. The JSNA is an on-going, iterative process with contributions from a range of partners within the Health and Wellbeing Board and without. This includes Public Health, Hillingdon Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG), HealthWatch, the Voluntary and Community Sector and other partners. Responsibility for developing the JSNA and its maintenance rests with the Business Performance team at LBH.

Aim of the Project

The JSNA has several aims including;

- To provide a comprehensive picture of the health and wellbeing needs of Hillingdon (now and in the future).
- To inform decisions about how we design, commission and deliver services, and also about how the urban environment is planned and managed.
- To improve and protect health and wellbeing outcomes across the city while reducing health inequalities.
- To provide stakeholders and the wider community with information on the changing health and wellbeing needs of Hillingdon, at a local level, to support better service delivery.
- As the evidence base for the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy, identifying important health and wellbeing issues for Hillingdon, and supporting the development of action plans for the priorities named in the strategy.

What data was used?

Data drawn from a wide range of internal and external sources. Internal sources include data from directorates relating to clients (anonymised). External sources include (not exhaustive)

Office of National Statistics	Hillingdon Clinical Commissioning Group	GPs/Pharmacies
NOMIS - Labour Market Stats	Health and Social Care Information Centre	Public Health England
Greater London Authority	Metropolitan Police	

How was data interrogated?

Data was primarily interrogated via MS Excel and involved downloading CSV files and manual interrogation. Data on the Public Health Outcomes Framework was analysed via the tools available on the Public Health England website.

What was the result?

The JSNA acts as a key reference document that should be referred to as part of any commissioning process. To date services commissioned in Public Health including Drug and Alcohol and Sexual Health have both drawn evidence bases from the JSNA. The latter was also as part of the ongoing re-tender of the 0-19 programme in Children's Services. Finally the Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment also draws on the JSNA - the former takes place every two years and plays an important role in ensuring the adequate provision of pharmacies across the borough.