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Briefing Note: Health and Wellbeing Centre(s) in Hastings and Bexhill

Introduction

In December 2015, 2020 Delivery were appointed by Hastings Borough Council to deliver a community engagement and consultation project to develop Healthy Wellbeing Centre(s) in Hastings, St Leonards and Bexhill (Bexhill Central and Sidley). An end of project report was produced in April 2016. All the recommendations of the project focused on options for the creation of Health and Wellbeing Centres in the most deprived geographical wards of the towns.

The CCG approved in May 2016, the 4 recommended initiatives from the April 2016 Report.

In summary, these are as follows:

1. Sustainability partnerships' with existing Community Centres

Provide financial resources and support the continued development of managerial capacity within existing community centres. This would enable the sustained delivery of new and existing services that contribute to the health and wellbeing of the people who use and access these centres and services.

2. An expanded system of social prescribing

Expand existing social prescribing services so that they can act as a single referral point to community services that can be accessed by a wide range of referrers, including GPs, other statutory services, and workers within existing community venues. Once service users are referred into the service, the "social prescribers" will refer and signpost them onwards to other community interventions, groups and services.

3. Prevention services within existing community centres

The continued location of health improvement and preventative care services within a broad range of community venues. This has the potential to bring services closer to users and increase awareness, understanding and collaboration between health and VCS organisations.

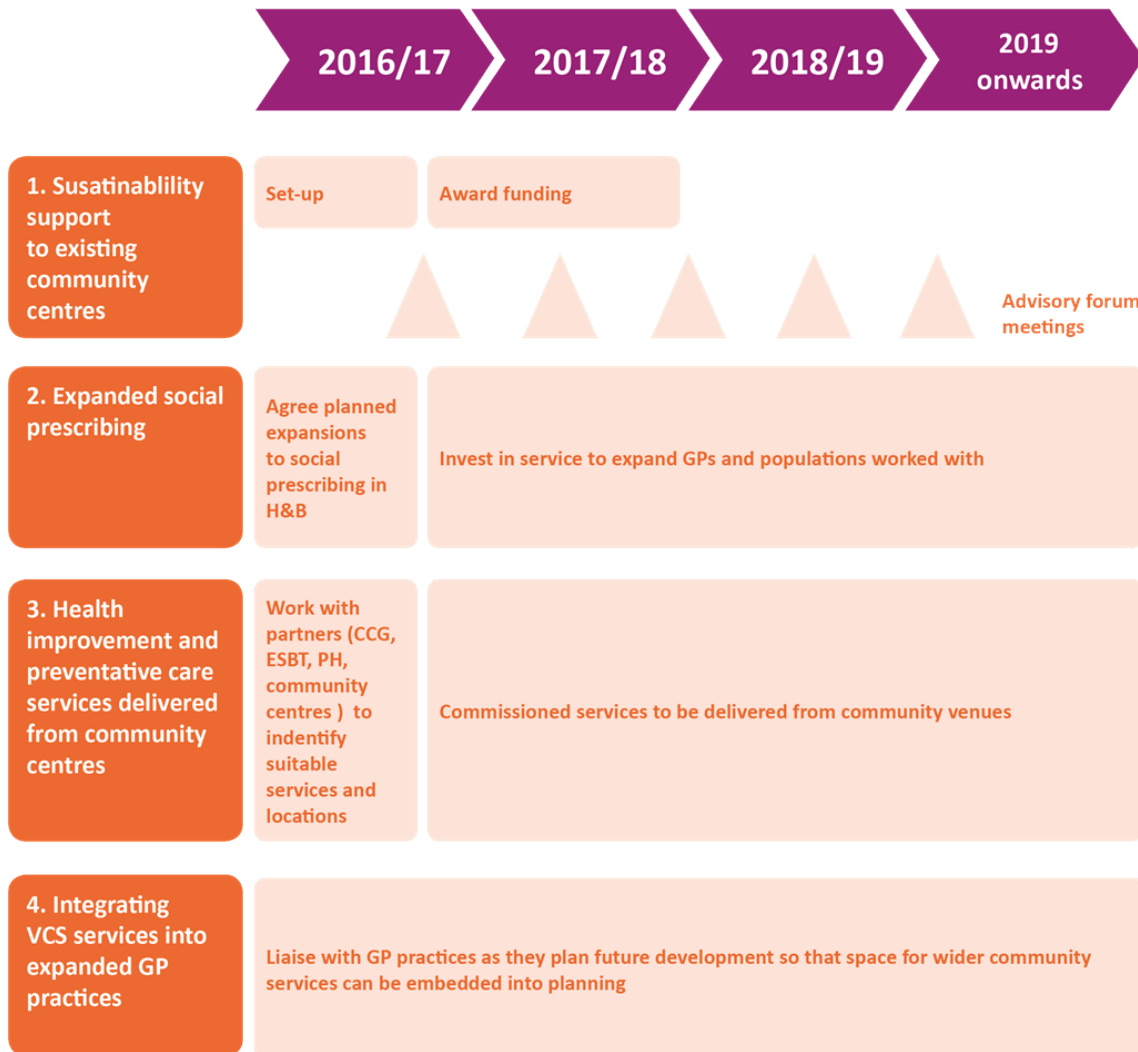
4. Integrating voluntary and community services into planned expansions of GP practices

Co-location of GP and VCS services within planned expanded GP practices, in order to i) improve service user pathways between the two, and ii) increase understanding among providers of the other services available.

Implementation timescales for Initiatives 1, 2, 3 and 4

The four initiatives have varying commissioning timescales before implementation can begin as illustrated below. The CCG's Healthy Hastings and Rother Programme's steering group will oversee the commissioning of the four initiatives and work closely with all stakeholders in order to maximise their impact and to mitigate risks.

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The four initiatives' commissioning plans will be developed within a total indicative budget of £300,000 per annum, which has been approved by the CCG Governing Body.

The Health and Wellbeing Centre(s) in Hastings and Bexhill report (April 2016) is available from the CCG's website. Please follow link attached:

<http://www.hastingsandrotherccg.nhs.uk/news/health-and-wellbeing-centres-in-hastings-and-bexhill/>