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The London Borough of Newham

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4.0 Key Priorities for 2010

4.1 Introduction

The JSNA provides Newham with a better understanding of health needs in the borough and informs the strategy development, service planning and commissioning processes of the London Borough of Newham, NHS Newham, and other local agencies.

The priorities set out below have been identified due to their impact on the health and wellbeing of the people of Newham. Many could be categorised as wider determinants of health such as housing, education and employment which play an important part in prevention and improving the health and wellbeing of the population. Success in improving and sustaining improvement in each priority area can only come about from a partnership approach between NHS Newham, the London Borough of Newham, private and voluntary sectors.

4.2 Key Priorities

The prioritisation process for Newham's 2010 JSNA involved three stages. The first stage, attended by representatives from Public Health, Adults, Community and Leisure Services and Children and Young People's Services reviewed the key issues and trends identified by the JSNA and distilled these into 24 key themes for deeper consideration and discussion at a second stage.

Prior to the second stage, these representatives scored and ranked each of the 24 themes using the criteria below, adapted from the 2009 Leeds JSNA.

- A = Is this an issue that affects a significant proportion of the population (directly or indirectly)?
- B = Is the problem likely to increase if there is no intervention?
- C = Is this an issue that significantly affects vulnerable groups?
- D = Is this issue a significant contributor to the health inequalities gap?
- E = Is there evidence of unmet need?

A score from 0 to 4 was attributed to each criterion for each of the 24 areas. Summing these scores, identified nine priorities for Newham in 2010, which include prevention, early identification and raising expectations as cross cutting themes. The nine priorities are listed below:

- Lifestyle factors
- Wellbeing and emotional resilience
- Maternity and early years
- Cancer and circulatory disease
- Education and employment
- Long term conditions and disability
- Timely access to excellent services/support
- Crime/fear of crime
- Housing.

The third and final stage was a review of the JSNA and its priorities by representatives of Newham's local voluntary and community groups, clinicians and other stakeholders between the 25th August and 17th September 2010.
