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The first Joint Strategic Needs Assessment documents (JSNA's) were produced in local authorities in England from 2008. They have taken different forms in different areas, and in most areas have been published intermittently since. Many JSNA's were heavy volumes, which while comprehensive, were not easy to use.

An easy read summary of the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment. A full version can be downloaded from the City of York Council Website.



It is now the responsibility of Health and Wellbeing Boards to have a JSNA produced and published. Locally, this analyses and identifies the current and future health and wellbeing needs in York and the wider NHS Vale of York Clinical Commissioning Group populations.

This website, launched in May 2014, is an initiative by the City of York Health and Wellbeing Board to make the information in the JSNA more widely accessible. New content will be added, and the existing content will be updated over time as new data becomes available.

There are a number of ways needs can be assessed:

- Counting e.g. the numbers of cases of disease or people accessing services
- Comparing e.g. rates of disease by age, or sex, or ethnic status
- Modelling using studies done elsewhere and applying them to the York population
- Mapping using place-based information to show where conditions are located
- Consulting asking people what they feel about themselves or about services

We aim to use all of these methods to paint a detailed picture of health and social care needs in York.

A large amount of data is available in a range of locations and formats which can often make finding and accessing it difficult. York Open Data has been developed which aims to ensure better quality and a higher quantity of open data is released from the local authority into the hands of local citizens and businesses.

York Open Data is a place for businesses and organisations to publicly share their open data to be used by anybody wishing to make a difference in their local area by having the ability to connect to 100s of up-to-date, searchable data sets.

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