

**TO: HEALTH AND WELL BEING BOARD
10 APRIL 2014**

**HEALTH AND WELL BEING BOARD – FIRST YEAR REVIEW
Director of Adult Social Care, Health and Housing**

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 The purpose of this report is to set out a process to:-

- review the membership of the Health and Well Being Board; and
- establish the Board's priorities for 2014/15

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Health and Well Being Board:-

2.1 Agree the action in 5.1 to provide additional support to the Board from the Joint Commissioning Team.

2.2 Agree to hold a workshop with the aim of:-

- reviewing role and function of Board, including membership (see 5.2)
- establishing the Board's priorities for 2014/15 (see 5.3)

3 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 The Health and Well Being Board has been operational for a year in its current format. In this context, reviewing the membership and functioning of the Board is timely, given the changing priorities that have occurred during the course of the year.

4 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

4.1 Do nothing and risk being unresponsive to local and national developments.

5 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

5.1 Supporting the Health and Well Being Board

5.1.1 The Board has been supported during the year by officers as part of their 'day to day' activity. On reflection, this has meant that this has resulted in a more reactive rather than proactive approach. This will become more relevant if the Health and Well Being Board establishes its priorities and develops an action plan from the reviewed Joint Health and Well Being Strategy.

5.1.2 With this in mind, the Joint Commissioning Team has been restructured in order to free up the Head of Joint Commissioning for 2 days a week to undertake the role of 'Business Manager'. This has been created using 'one off' resources and will need to be reviewed at the end of 2014/15.

5.2 Reviewing the Board

- 5.2.1 The Board has been in existence for a year now under the new regulations. This seems an opportune time to reflect on the demands made on the Board and the best way of discharging these responsibilities in an effective manner.
- 5.2.2 Clearly, various government departments are requiring that various reports are presented to the Health and Well Being Board, regardless of other governance arrangements. This could mean on one level that the Health and Well Being Board simply endorses plans, policies and reports formally agreed elsewhere.
- 5.2.3 Additionally, if the Board is to establish its priorities (see 5.3), then this needs to be factored in.
- 5.2.4 There are many examples of how this is achieved around the country which could be considered and reflected on in our local context.

5.3 Developing the Board's Priorities

- 5.3.1 At the current time, the Health and Well Being Board's priorities could be said to have been established by the Joint Health and Well Being Strategy. However, the Board has not formally endorsed the key areas where it expects to see action and a refocusing of commissioning effort.
- 5.3.2 In establishing a small number of agreed priorities, the Health and Well Being Board can add its weight to supporting the changes required. From this will also develop a set of relevant performance indicators by which progress can be developed.

6 ADVICE RECEIVED FROM STATUTORY AND OTHER OFFICERS

6.1 Borough Solicitor

The proposals within this report are all within the Council's powers.

6.2 Borough Treasurer

There are no direct financial implications within this report, for the Council.

6.3 Equalities Impact Assessment

N/A

6.4 Strategic Management Issues

N/A

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