

AGENDA ITEM

REPORT TO HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

5 JUNE 2013

REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF LAW AND DEMOCRACY

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE HEALTH AND WELLBEING GROUP - GOVERNANCE ARRANGEMENTS

SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to agree arrangements for the operation of a Sub Committee to the Health and Wellbeing Board, namely the Children and Young People Health and Wellbeing Group.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That a Children and Young People Health and Wellbeing Group be established.
2. That the Terms of Reference for the Group, as detailed at Appendix 1, be approved.
3. That the Rules of Procedure for the Group, as detailed at Appendix 2, be approved.

DETAIL

1. At its meeting, held on 8 May 2013, the Council considered a report and agreed proposals for the establishment of the Health and Wellbeing Board, as a Committee of the Council. Council also agreed governance arrangements for the Board and Partnership.
2. The report to Council highlighted the Board's ability to establish Sub Committees and reference was made to the formal establishment of a Children and Young People Health and Wellbeing Group. The Group would maintain a strategic overview of, and ensure delivery on, the elements of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy pertinent to children and young people. It would also provide a multi-agency forum for broad consideration of such issues. Such a forum had been unavailable at a strategic level since the Children's Trust Board had ceased.
3. Section 102 of the Local Government Act 1972 allows Committees of the Council to establish one or more Sub Committees, and it has been proposed that the Board establishes a Children and Young People Health and Wellbeing Group, as mentioned in paragraph 2 above.
4. As with the Board, key draft governance documents have been produced and are presented for consideration and approval:

Terms of Reference – Appendix 1

Rules of Procedure – Appendix 2

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5. The resources for the arrangements will come from existing budgets

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

6. Establishment of the Group is in line with the Local Government Act 1972. The Group, its members and the business it considers will be subject to legislation/regulations governing the operation of Local Authority meetings.

RISK ASSESSMENT

7. The establishment of the Group and associated governance arrangements is categorised as a low to medium risk. Existing management systems and daily routine activities are considered sufficient to control and reduce risk

SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY STRATEGY IMPLICATIONS

8. It is considered that the establishment of the Group will have a positive impact on all the Sustainable Community Strategy themes.

CONSULTATION

9. Consultation has taken place with a number of members and officers including the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Health and Wellbeing Board, the Director of Public Health and the Corporate Director of Children, Education and Social Care.

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