

AGENDA ITEM

**REPORT TO HEALTH AND
WELL BEING BOARD**

24 FEBRUARY 2015

**REPORT OF DIRECTOR
OF PUBLIC HEALTH**

HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD - DEVELOPMENT

1. SUMMARY

- 1.1. Following an earlier report to the Health and Wellbeing Board this paper asks the Board to consider a range of options to strengthen the overall Health and Wellbeing system across the themes Governance, Risk and Assurance of Outcomes, Information and Intelligence.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1. The Board are recommended to agree that:
- a) The Chairs of the Children and Young People's Partnership and the Adults Health and Wellbeing Partnership provide a short covering report to accompany the presentation of minutes of those meetings.
 - b) The Board receive recommendations / outcomes from Select Committee reports to inform the work of the Board following approval by Cabinet.
 - c) The Board engage with the Chairs and Vice Chairs of the Adult Services and Health Select Committee and Children and Young People Select Committee to compliment work in this area.
 - d) The overall performance of the Council's Health and Wellbeing system and activity is reviewed by the Board on an annual basis to inform the annual planning process.

3. DETAIL

- 3.1. In order to strengthen the governance arrangements in place at the Board and Partnership levels, it is proposed that there is a succinct focused presentation of the minutes from Partnership Chairs to the Board. This would provide timely assurance to the Board that the partnerships and their members are clear about their role and contributing to the successful deliver of priorities and the agreed outcomes. This would equip the Board with a robust means of monitoring the work of the partnerships and holding member organisations to account in an appropriate and efficient way.
- 3.2. In supporting the provision of information and intelligence to the Board in order to inform on-going work it is important then to consider appropriate recommendations from scrutiny reports concerning matters of Health and Wellbeing. Engaging with the work of Scrutiny committees in this way will prove useful in better understanding the impact / outcomes of particular areas under review and should influence strategy going forward. Equally it may be appropriate for the Board to request that the Chairs of Adult

Services and Health Select Committee and Children and Young People's Select Committee make regular reports back to Board to strengthen engagement and link our efforts to hold to account and influence our approach for the future.

- 3.3. To develop the assurance process for holding the Partnerships and Commissioning groups to account, it is proposed that Board and Partners undertake a mid-year review to consider performance across all levels of the Health and Wellbeing structure. This recognises that the performance system across the three layers of HWB governance have been established and will continue to strengthen and develop, noting that performance management at the commissioning level is the least developed of these.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1. There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.

5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1. There are no specific legal implications arising from this report.

6. RISK ASSESSMENT

- 6.1. The risks arising from what is proposed can be categorised as low risk.

7. CONSULTATION

- 7.1. Consultation has taken place with the Director of Public Health, The Director of Children Education and Social Care, and the Chair of Health and Wellbeing Board.

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