



**Health and Wellbeing Board**  
11 December 2013

**Report from the Assistant Chief  
Executive**

For Action

Wards Affected:  
ALL

**Health and Wellbeing Strategy and Action Plan**

**1. Summary**

- 1.1 The Health and Wellbeing Board has asked Board members to develop an action plan for the Health and Wellbeing Strategy and amend the strategy document to take account of the changes agreed at the development session in September and the Board's previous meeting at the end of October. The strategy document and draft action plan are included as appendices to this report. The Health and Wellbeing Board is asked to comment on and approve both documents.

**2. Recommendations**

- 2.1 The Health and Wellbeing Board is recommended to:
- (i). Approve the Health and Wellbeing Strategy Document
  - (ii). Comment on and approve the Health and Wellbeing Strategy Action Plan
  - (iii). Agree the Board's focus for the coming year to enable officers to plan themed meetings and workshops

**3 Report**

- 3.1 The Health and Wellbeing Board has spent time at its development session and meeting at the end of October discussing and amending the Health and Wellbeing Strategy. The focus of the Board's attention has been on agreeing the objectives that sit beneath each of the five priorities for the Board. The Board has also agreed a new set of principles for the Health and Wellbeing Strategy, which should influence the work of each partner as they carry out their day to day business.
- 3.2 Assuming the Board agrees, the revised principles for the Health and Wellbeing Strategy are:
- We will work together to deliver improved services
  - We will provide safe, high quality services which respond to individuals
  - We will work together to make sure every contact with service users counts

- We will promote a culture of self care and personal responsibility
- We will focus on disease prevention and health promotion
- We will engage in an on-going dialogue with our communities, residents and patients
- We will provide opportunities for individual and community empowerment
- We will achieve more for less and make the very best use of resources

- 3.3 The amendments to the strategy document that the Health and Wellbeing Board had requested have been done, and a revised version is included as appendix 1 to this report. The most significant change is that the fifth priority, “Working together to support the most vulnerable adults in the community” has been added into the strategy, along with the objectives agreed by the Board. It has also been updated to include more current information where it is available. But, as the Board has agreed, much of the original strategy remained relevant and changes are minimal.
- 3.4 Board members have also been working on a Health and Wellbeing Strategy Action Plan. This was one of the Board’s requests from its meeting in October. A draft action plan is included at appendix 2 to this report. The Board is asked to comment on and approve the action plan, which will be used to monitor progress against each of the strategy objectives.
- 3.5 In developing the action plan it has been made clear that the Board’s expectation was that it should guide activity for the next three years. As a result, milestones up to 205/16 have been include in the plan to give Board members a sense of the longer term activity that will be taking place within each priority. The Board also wanted to focus on achieving specific outcomes and “quick wins” as well as longer term health improvement activity. The action plan attempts to balance these demands for the Board.
- 3.6 It is important the Health and Wellbeing Board has ownership of the action plan and uses it to guide its focus over the coming months. The Board should take the time to review each of the priorities in the action plan to ensure that the progress milestones and outcomes against each priority are significantly robust to inform members on the progress being made in achieving each of the objectives.
- 3.7 Assuming the Board approves the action plan, it will be revised and updated at regular intervals and presented to the Board to enable members to monitor progress. This can be done on an exception basis, or focussed on one priority at a time. But at least once a year the Board should be devoting time to a general update on the implementation of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy.

#### **4. Conclusions**

- 4.1 The Health and Wellbeing Board should consider the final strategy document and action plan that are appended to this report and confirm whether they are happy with both, or wish to make further amendments. Assuming the Board approves the Action Plan, thought should be given to the areas where the Board wishes to focus initially so that officers can work to plan themed meetings and work shops on the priority areas.

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