

LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

MINUTES OF THE TOWER HAMLETS HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

HELD AT 5.35 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, 20 DECEMBER 2017

**MP701, 7TH FLOOR, TOWN HALL, MULBERRY PLACE, 5 CLOVE CRESCENT,
LONDON, E14 2BG.**

Name	Membership	Role/Representing
Councillor Denise Jones (Chair)	Member	Cabinet Member Health & Adult Services
Councillor David Edgar	Member	Cabinet Member Resources
Councillor Danny Hassell	Member	
Councillor Amy Whitelock Gibbs	Member	
Dr Somen Banerjee	Member	Director Public Health, LBTH
Simon Hall	Member	Acting Chief Officer Tower Hamlets Clinical Commissioning Group
Ronke Martins-Taylor (representing Debbie Jones)	Member	Director Children's Services, LBTH
Denise Radley	Member	Director Health, Adults & Community, LBTH
Dr Paul Gilliley (representing Dr Navina Evans)	Co-opted	East London NHS Foundation Trust
Ann Sutcliffe	Co-opted	Acting Corporate Director of Place
Sarah Williams (representing Asmat Hussain)	Co-opted	LBTH Law and Governance
Sue Williams	Co-opted	Borough Commander – Chief Superintendent
Officers		
Dianne Barham	Officer	Chief Executive, Healthwatch TH
Nicola Donnelly	Officer	Programme Manager Young Adults
Chris Lovitt	Officer	Assistant Director Public Health
Rushena Miah	Officer	Committee Officer, Democratic Services
Misha Moore	Officer	Public Health Registrar
Andrew Moore	Officer	Occupational Health and Wellbeing Project Lead
Jamal Uddin	Officer	Strategy, Policy & Performance Officer
Apologies		
Dr Sam Everington (Vice Chair)	Member	Chair of Tower Hamlets CCG
Dr Navina Evans	Member	Chief Executive East London NHS Foundation Trust
Asmat Hussain	Member	Director of Law & Governance
Councillor Sirajul Islam	Member	Cabinet Member Housing
Debbie Jones	Member	Director Children's Services
Jackie Sullivan	Member	Managing Director of Hospitals, Bart's Health Trust

1. **STANDING ITEMS OF BUSINESS:**
2. **WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
3. **DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

There were no declarations of interest.

3.1 **PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND PETITIONS**

There were no public petitions or questions submitted in advance of the meeting.

3.2 **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING AND MATTERS ARISING**

Denise Radley, Director of Health, Adults and Community, informed the Board that the concerns raised regarding the closure of Hoptown women's hostel have been resolved. A housing plan was implemented for the individual concerned.

It was confirmed that Simon Walton was the new housing representative replacing Jane Ball.

Dr Somen Banerjee, Director Public Health, confirmed that he submitted the Board's response to the London Health Inequalities consultation.

Outstanding Actions:

The Community Plan Refresh Document to be emailed to the Board.

The minutes of the meeting on 7 November 2017 were approved as an accurate record of the meeting and signed by the Chair.

3.3 **FORWARD PLAN**

The following points were noted in relation to the Forward Plan:

- The draft Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment will come to the February meeting of this Board with an aim to sign and adopt it at the March meeting.
- The March meeting will be presented with a draft strategy for the Health and Wellbeing Board 2018/19. Members were reminded to contact Dr Banerjee to express interest in becoming a Board Champion.
- The meeting scheduled for 20 March 2018 has now been changed to Tuesday 27 March 2018. This was due to a clash with Cabinet.

RESOLVED

The board noted the Forward Plan.

Action: Committee clerk to send a diary appointment to Members confirming the March meeting of the Board has been moved to **Tuesday 27 March 2018**.

4. HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD STRATEGY 2017-2020: DELIVERING THE BOARDS PRIORITIES - PROGRESS UPDATE

4.1 COMMUNITIES DRIVING CHANGE

The Board heard a verbal update from Dianne Barham, Tower Hamlets Healthwatch.

- A community insight network has been launched. The network is made up of researchers who have been trained in participatory appraisal and are working towards building a shared repository of community feedback. The data can be accessed by health partners via a license fee of £2000.
- Dr Banerjee said that the Community Insight project has been a positive development in aspirations to centralise data.
- The Healthy Communities tender has been awarded. An update on this will be provided later in the year.

RESOLVED

To note the Communities Driving Change priority update.

4.2 EMPLOYMENT AND HEALTH

The Board heard a presentation from Misha Moore, Public Health Registrar, and Andrew Moore, Occupation Health and Wellbeing Project Lead, on the London Healthy Workplace Charter. They advocated for partners on the Board to sign up to the Charter.

The accreditation is monitored by the Greater London Authority and has three levels of award: Commitment, Achievement and Excellence. Scoring is based on eight health criteria.

Members of the Board were enthusiastic about the accreditation. There was a consensus that the Tower Hamlets Employment Forum should be revived and use it as a platform to promote the London Healthy Workplace Charter.

Sue Williams, Borough Commander – Chief Superintendent, suggested that a domestic violence strand be included in the criteria for accreditation as it is an issue that significantly impacts wider health and wellbeing.

Other suggestions included linking the Charter to walking initiatives or the Community Plan under the heading of 'Space and Place'.

Dr Banerjee concluded the discussion by reminding Board Members that there was a commitment for Partners on the Board to sign up to the Charter. He asked Abigail Knight, Associate Director of Public Health, to discuss the Charter with Board partners who have not yet signed up.

The Chair thanked the speakers for their presentation.

RESOLVED

To implement the London Healthy Workplace Charter within Board Members respective organisations.

ACTIONS

Abigail Knight, Associate Director of Public Health, to look into restarting the Tower Hamlets Employment Forum.

Abigail Knight to follow up with Board Members on signing up to the London Healthy Workplace Charter.

4.3 CHILDREN'S WEIGHT AND NUTRITION

Ronke Martins-Taylor, Divisional Director Youth and Commissioning, provided an update on the progress of the Children –healthy weight and nutrition priority of the Action Plan. She summarised the work so far of the Board Champions. This included:

- Supporting work to ensure there is a school governor with a health background on every school governing body.
- Developing a school dashboard to measure health indicators.
- Promoting the 'Healthy Mile' in schools which is a scheme to encourage children to walk or run for a mile a day. Twenty eight schools were reported to be involved with the initiative.
- It was noted there will be an event held on the Healthy Mile on 20 March 2018. Board Members were invited to attend.
- Working towards increasing the number of schools achieving 'Healthy School' status. The Healthy Mile can contribute towards schools receiving silver status on the accreditation.
- The re-procurement of the Schools Health Service will begin in January 2018. The service specification requires a whole school approach towards healthy eating and healthy weight.

Councillor Amy Whitlock-Gibbs informed the committee that the Tower Hamlets Education Partnership (THEP) has appointed a new director named Tracy Smith. Councillor Whitlock-Gibbs volunteered to get in touch with Ms. Smith to discuss how THEP could get involved with the Action Plan.

RESOLVED

To note the progress report on the Children Healthy Weight and Nutrition priority.

ACTION

Councillor Amy Whitlock-Gibbs to get in touch with Tracy Smith, Director of THEP, to discuss joint working on the healthy weight and nutrition priority.

5. SUICIDE PREVENTION STRATEGY - FINAL

The Board heard a presentation from Chris Lovitt, Associate Director of Public Health and Nicola Donnelly, Programme Manager Young Adults. Mr Lovitt asked the Board to adopt the strategy further to the amendments listed on page 86 of the report.

The amendments primarily involved rephrasing the language used in describing the priority headings.

The strategy was praised by the Board.

Councillor Whitlock-Gibbs said that the strategy was very helpful and she was pleased that simplified language was used to promote accessibility. She endorsed the strategy and asked what more the Board could do to champion it.

Simon Hall, Chief Officer Tower Hamlets Clinical Commissioning Group, pointed out that the risk indicator of social isolation or withdrawal should not be limited to the young people's section as the issue affects all age groups.

Ronke Martins-Taylor, Divisional Director Youth and Commissioning, said that she was developing a strategy to engage with young people at risk. A tool kit has been developed and training will be delivered on how to use it at schools. She suggested there may be opportunities for cross working.

Denise Radley, Director of Health, Adults and Community, said that the strategy was a positive step forward in prevention and early intervention. She thanked the team for their work on the strategy.

Sue Williams, Borough Commander, endorsed the strategy. It was noted that the police will be supporting the work by interrogating their database for statistics on suicide in Tower Hamlets.

RESOLVED

To adopt the Suicide Prevention Strategy and Action Plan.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Youth Crisis Service

Ronke-Taylor Martins, Divisional Director Youth Commissioning, informed the Board about some partnership work carried out between the Council and

Docklands Outreach which targeted youths in crisis. The service was co-located at the Royal London Paediatric Unit from April 2015 to end of 2017.

The Board noted the message from the Divisional Director for Youth and Commissioning and advised that it would be more appropriate for a formal report to go to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee because it concerns an operational issue.

Chairs Announcements

Tower Hamlets Partnership is inviting Board Members to a Partnership Summit scheduled for Thursday 11th January 2018, at The Atrium, 124 Cheshire Street, London, E2 6EJ, from 9.30am – 2.00pm. This is to begin gathering the views of leaders across the community on the new Community Plan and what the shared vision for the future should be.

Those interested in attending (Board members only) will need to register their interest. Details have been emailed to board members.

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 20 February 2018, 5.30pm-8.00pm, venue tbc.

The meeting ended at 6.35 p.m.

**Chair, Councillor Denise Jones
Tower Hamlets Health and Wellbeing Board**