


Health and Wellbeing Board Tuesday 12 January 2016	
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Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2016-2020 – vision and focus workshop	

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Executive Key Decision?	No

Summary

The new Health and Wellbeing Strategy for 2016 to 2020 is currently being developed. This is a key partnership strategy setting out a shared vision of health and wellbeing in the borough and areas to focus on to improve and transform outcomes in Tower Hamlets.

In view of the importance of the strategy and the critical role of the Health and Wellbeing Board in developing, overseeing and owning it, the Board meeting has been extended and will focus on a facilitated interactive two hour workshop. This will explore the collective aspirations for 2020 and the areas of focus needed to make progress towards these aspirations.

It is not anticipated that there will be extensive presentations at the session and board members are recommended to read the Tower Hamlets JSNA summary document which is attached as Appendix A to this report.

Recommendations:

The Health & Wellbeing Board is recommended to:

1. Review the Tower Hamlets JSNA summary document for 2015 prior to the workshop.

1. REASONS FOR THE DECISIONS

- 1.1 The reason for the workshop is to identify areas of focus and vision for the new Health and Wellbeing Strategy.

2. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

- 2.1 The Board could choose not to consider the areas of focus and vision of the new Health and Wellbeing Strategy but this is not recommended as the Board has a key role to play in the development of the strategy and its objectives.

3. DETAILS OF REPORT

- 3.1 The details of the report are set out in the summary. This is a facilitated workshop aiming to establish ownership of the strategy by the Health and Wellbeing Board and identify areas of focus and vision.

4. COMMENTS OF THE CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER

- 4.1 There are no direct financial implications arising from this report. The financial implications of the new Health and Wellbeing strategy will be identified alongside its development, to ensure it can be delivered.

5. LEGAL COMMENTS

- 5.1 The Health and Social Care Act 2012 (“the 2012 Act”) makes it a requirement for the Council to establish a Health and Wellbeing Board (“HWB”). S.195 of the 2012 Act requires the HWB to encourage those who arrange for the provision of any health or social care services in their area to work in an integrated manner.
- 5.2 This duty is reflected in the Council’s constitutional arrangements for the HWB which states it is a function of the HWB to have oversight of the quality, safety and performance mechanisms operated by its member organisations, and the use of relevant public sector resources across a wide spectrum of services and interventions, with greater focus on integration across outcomes spanning health care, social care and public health.
- 5.3 Further, it is a function of the HWB to identify the needs and priorities across Tower Hamlets and publish and refresh the Tower Hamlets Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) so that future commissioning/policy decisions are based on evidence.
- 5.4 The review of the strategy provides the opportunity to refresh and update the focus of the HWB to reflect current and future needs within the borough. This review programme provides the basis for the HWB to collate the perspectives of all relevant and interested parties before agreeing any final strategy and plan.

5.5 When considering the recommendation above, and during the review itself, regard must be given to the public sector equalities duty to eliminate unlawful conduct under the Equality Act 2010. The duty is set out at Section 149 of the 2010 Act. It requires the Council, when exercising its functions, to have 'due regard' to the need to eliminate discrimination (both direct and indirect discrimination), harassment and victimization and other conduct prohibited under the Act, and to advance equality of opportunity and foster good relations between those who share a 'protected characteristic' and those who do not share that protected characteristic.

6. ONE TOWER HAMLETS CONSIDERATIONS

6.1 The purpose of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy is to improve health across the borough and reduce health inequalities.

7. BEST VALUE (BV) IMPLICATIONS

7.1 The strategy will need to take on the challenges of the financial context going forward for the health and social care system and so best value will be a paramount consideration.

8. SUSTAINABLE ACTION FOR A GREENER ENVIRONMENT

8.1 This is not directly relevant although sustainability may be a consideration in the strategy.

9. RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

9.1 A key element of the strategy will be addressing risks going forward that the health and social care economy face e.g. reducing funding, population growth, and increasing expectations.

10. CRIME AND DISORDER REDUCTION IMPLICATIONS

10.1 Levels of crime and fear of crime are determinants of health so this may be a consideration of the strategy

Linked Reports, Appendices and Background Documents

Linked Report

- Tower Hamlets JSNA summary document

Appendices

- State NONE if none [and state EXEMPT if necessary].

Local Government Act, 1972 Section 100D (As amended)

List of “Background Papers” used in the preparation of this report

List any background documents not already in the public domain including officer contact information.

- State NONE if none.

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