


<b>Health and Wellbeing Board</b> Tuesday 15 March 2016	
<b>Report of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets</b>	<b>Classification:</b> Unrestricted
<b>Tower Hamlets Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2016-2020: developing a strategy that will make a difference - next steps</b>	

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<b>Executive Key Decision?</b>	No

### Summary

The purpose of this paper is to set out the key issues emerging out of the two Health and Wellbeing Strategy development workshops and discuss the implications for the strategy.

It addresses the following questions

- Why do we want a Health and Wellbeing Strategy?
- What do we mean by Health and Wellbeing Strategy and what is the scope?
- What approach do we want to take?
- What do we want the Strategy to focus on?
- What could the transformational areas be?
- What are the next steps?

### Recommendations:

The Health & Wellbeing Board is recommended to:

Review the paper and reflect on the questions set out at the end:

1. Do the definitions of 'health' and 'wellbeing' (and the concept of health as one of a numbers of resources for wellbeing) feel ok as working definitions for the strategy?
2. Does the 'health community' description feel like a good description of what we would like Tower Hamlets to look like if it is a place that supports health as a resource for wellbeing?
3. Does the description of the interdependencies of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy with other strategies sound right?
4. Does the approach to the strategy sound right?
5. Do the transformational areas feel about right? Is there anything important missing?
6. Do the next steps of involving Board members and getting them to identify a small number of metrics and actions for the strategy to track feel right?
7. Anything else?

The responses will inform the first draft of the strategy.

## **1. REASONS FOR THE DECISIONS**

- 1.1 The reasons for the decision are to gather the Boards views on the approach to the strategy and develop ownership

## **2. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**

- 2.1 If the Board were not fully involved in key decisions around the shape and approach of the strategy it would fail

## **3. DETAILS OF REPORT**

- 3.1 See attached report

## **4. COMMENTS OF THE CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER**

- 4.1 There are no direct financial implications as a result of the recommendations in this report. The Health and Wellbeing Strategy would need to factor in the financial resources which are available during the period covered by the strategy in accordance with the Council's Medium Term Financial Plan.

## **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 victimisation 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 strategy is about how health can be improved for the borough as a whole but with a particular priority on how those in greatest need can be targeted.

## **7. BEST VALUE (BV) IMPLICATIONS**

7.1 Although this is only a strategy discussion report, one of the drivers shaping the strategy are the cost pressures on the health and care economy

## **8. SUSTAINABLE ACTION FOR A GREENER ENVIRONMENT**

8.1 The paper does refer to the health impacts of the environment and this is in line with developing sustainable action for a greener environment

## **9. RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS**

9.1 The proposals in the paper are draft currently and address a risk that the strategy focus does not engage the board and reflect the priorities and approach that will work for the board in years to come

## **10. CRIME AND DISORDER REDUCTION IMPLICATIONS**

10.1 There is a reference in the paper to the interdependencies between strategies such as those relating to crime and disorder and the health and wellbeing strategy

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## **Linked Reports, Appendices and Background Documents**

### **Linked Report**

- NONE

### **Appendices**

- Report on Health and Wellbeing Strategy workshop, January 2016
- Report on Kings Fund Strategy workshop, October 2015

**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.

- NONE

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