


<p align="center">Health and Wellbeing Board Tuesday 9th August 2016</p>	 <p>Tower Hamlets Health and Wellbeing Board</p>
<p>Report of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets</p>	<p>Classification: Unrestricted</p>
<p>Developing an exemplar Health and Wellbeing Board</p>	

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Executive Key Decision?	No

Summary

This report follows on from the Local Government Association (LGA) session on Board Development earlier in the year. It sets out best practice guidelines identifying areas for development of the Board and proposes a one day away-day in September to explore Board development further and agree practical actions.

Recommendations:

- Hold a one day Board development session for September (prior to the next formal board)

1. REASONS FOR THE DECISIONS

- 1.1 The Board has an aspiration to be exemplar. The LGA development session earlier in the year identified areas for development which would help the Board move towards this aspiration

2. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

- 2.1 If the Board was not reflective and did not focus on its development on an ongoing basis it would be ineffective.

3. DETAILS OF REPORT

- 3.1 See attached report

4. COMMENTS OF THE CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER

- 4.1 There are no direct financial implications arising from this report however, the need to respond strategically to austerity is a key issue identified that needs to be fully reflected in the Board's approach to its role and be aligned to the Council's Medium Term Financial Strategy.

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. The proposal to hold an away-day to develop the HWB is consistent with the Board's functions.
- 5.3 When considering the recommendation above, and during the away-day 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 role of the Board 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 One of the drivers shaping the work of the Board are the cost pressures on the health and care economy and this will need to be a consideration in the discussions

8. SUSTAINABLE ACTION FOR A GREENER ENVIRONMENT

8.1 Healthy place and sustainability is one area on the agenda of the Board's work

9. RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

9.1 The proposals in the paper are to address a risk that the Board work is not focussed, does not reflect on its work and does not make best use of resources that support boards to be exempla

10. CRIME AND DISORDER REDUCTION IMPLICATIONS

10.1 The link between the Board and the Community Safety Partnership is an important area of Board development

Linked Reports, Appendices and Background Documents

Linked Report

- Developing an exemplar Health and Wellbeing Board

Appendices

- NONE

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