

**Report for:** Health and Wellbeing Board – 12<sup>th</sup> February 2020

**Title:** **Seeking a mandate to review the Terms of Reference of the Haringey Health and Wellbeing Board.**

**Report**

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### **1. Describe the issue under consideration**

- 1.1 Haringey's Health and Wellbeing Board takes a lead in promoting a healthier Haringey and reducing health inequalities. The board is a statutory partnership set up in April 2013 in line with the requirements of the Health and Social Care Act 2012.
- 1.2 Here we seek a mandate for reviewing the Terms of Reference of the Health and Wellbeing Board and outline the rationale for the review.

### **2. Recommendations**

- 2.1 The Board is asked to approve a review of the Terms of Reference of the Health and Wellbeing Board.
- 2.2 The review is to be led by Officers from the Local Authority and Haringey Clinical Commissioning Group

### **3. Reasons for Decision**

- 3.1 There are a number of reasons that it is timely to review the Terms of Reference of the board Health and Wellbeing Board. These reasons are all fundamentally linked to the ability of the Board to effectively deliver its leadership role in terms of improving the health of Haringey's population and reducing health inequalities. These reasons include:
  - We are setting out an ambitious Health and Wellbeing Strategy for Haringey for 2020-24 (see paper presented at this meeting). Delivering the priorities and principles set out in this strategy may require formal input to the Board from a wider range of partners and enhanced responsibilities. This particularly relates to our ambition to take a greater role in shaping the wider

determinants of health, such as housing and environmental policies which have such a great impact on the health of our residents.

- Alongside the Health and Wellbeing Strategy we are also developing our integrated care borough partnership as part of a wider integrated care system in North Central London. The Health and Wellbeing Board will play a vital role in steering and overseeing this partnership, as well as providing resident, community sector and democratic input into the wider integrated health and care system in North Central London. The membership and responsibilities of the board will need to be reviewed to ensure the Health and Wellbeing Board is able to fulfil this role effectively.
- The current governance of the Board does not formally reflect the wider NHS partnerships that are already operating in Haringey in being developed further through the borough partnership. Over the last 12 to 18 months, local NHS Trusts and the Haringey GP Federation have been sending representatives to the board, and have added to the board's ability to provide system wide oversight and leadership on the health and wellbeing issues effecting Haringey's residents.
- The recently published NHS Long Term Plan requires local government and the NHS to work together differently to address long term health inequalities and to improve outcomes for all residents. The NHS Long Term Plan suggests that local Health and Wellbeing Board's will play a key role in this ambition.

3.2 The process for reviewing the terms of reference of the Health and Wellbeing Board, will be led by Council and CCG officers.

3.3 The terms of reference may include reviewing the functions, principles, responsibilities and membership of the Health and Wellbeing Board, as well as looking at relationships to other boards and to the governance structures developing as part of the North Central London integrated care system.

3.4 An update on the options for changes to the Terms of Reference will be brought to a future Health and Wellbeing Board, and Health and Wellbeing Board Members will be involved in the development of these options.

#### **4. Background Information**

4.1 The current Terms of Reference (see appendix), were devised when the Health and Wellbeing Board was established following reforms set out in the 2012 Health and Social Care Act. Minor changes were made to the Terms of reference following a meeting of the Health and Wellbeing Board in September 2016. These changes were as follows:

- 4.1.1 That the current Local Authority membership of the HWB should be amended to include the Deputy Chief Executive who has the strategic oversight of children and adult social care and public health;
- 4.1.2 That the current membership of the HWB should be amended to include the Independent Chair of the Safeguarding Adult Board (with attendance at meetings when appropriate) and the membership of the Independent Chair of the Local Safeguarding Children Board should be on the same footing; and
- 4.1.3 That the terms of reference should be amended to reflect the Board's ambition to collaborate across borough boundaries and pan London and to enter into joint working arrangements in its area of responsibility with other Boards and for the benefit of residents of the borough

## **5. Contribution to strategic outcomes**

- 5.1 The review of the terms of reference will support the delivery of a new set of strategic outcomes for the Health and Wellbeing Board as set out in the draft Haringey Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2020-24
- Making Haringey a healthy place
  - Start Well
  - Live Well
  - Age Well
  - Violence Prevention

## **6. Statutory Officer Comments (Legal and Finance)**

### **6.1 Legal**

There are no legal implications arising from the recommendation. However, the findings of the review of the Board's Terms of Reference must be in accordance with the statutory framework for the Board as set out in Sections 192 to 199 of the Health and Social Care Act 2012 and Regulations 2 to 7 of The Local Authority (Public Health, Health and Wellbeing Boards and Health Scrutiny) Regulations 2013 and the Council's Constitution. Where amendments are proposed to the Board's Terms of Reference and consequently the Constitution, the approval of Full Council is required.

### **6.2 Finance**

No implications at present.

## **7. Environmental Implications**

N/A.

## **8. Resident and Equalities Implications**

- 8.1 The Terms of Reference Review will support the ambitions of our Health and Wellbeing Strategy to reduce health inequalities.

In Haringey, the most affluent people enjoy on average 15 (for men) and 17 (for women) years longer in good health than their least affluent counterparts. The 2020-24 Health and Wellbeing Strategy sets out to address these inequalities.

## **9. Use of Appendices**

- 9.1 Current Haringey Health and Wellbeing Board Terms of Reference

## **10. Background Papers**

None