



HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD: 24 FEBRUARY 2022

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH

HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD GOVERNANCE

Purpose of report

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the Health and Wellbeing Board's approval for revised Terms of Reference for the Board and to redefine one of the Board's sub-group, the Unified Prevention Board, into the Staying Healthy Partnership Board.
2. The report also details the development of an Engagement and Communication Strategy to raise the profile of the Health and Wellbeing Board and to support delivery of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy.

Link to the Local Health and Care System

3. The Health and Wellbeing Board leads and directs work to improve the health and wellbeing of the population of Leicestershire through the development of effective, high quality integrated health and social care services

Recommendations

4. It is recommended that:
 - a) The revised Terms of Reference for the Health and Wellbeing Board be approved;
 - b) The redefinition of the Unified Prevention Board to the Staying Healthy Partnership Board, be approved;
 - c) Subject to b) above, the Terms of Reference for the Staying Healthy Partnership Board be approved;
 - d) The Health and Wellbeing Board governance structure be noted;
 - e) The Health and Wellbeing Board Engagement and Consultation Strategy be approved.

Policy Framework and Previous Decisions

5. The current Terms of Reference for the Board were approved by the Health and Wellbeing Board at its meeting on the 26 November 2020. Since that date there have been a number of changes regarding the health and care landscape and arrangements, including further development of the Integrated Care System (ICS) and consideration of Leicestershire's role in leading 'place'.

6. At the meeting on the 8 July 2021, the Board supported the development of a Health and Wellbeing Board Communication and Engagement Strategy Plan to support evolution of the Health and Wellbeing Board, it's relationship with the local population and the delivery of the revised Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy.

Background

Health and Wellbeing Board Terms of Reference

7. At its meeting in July 2021, the Health and Wellbeing Board approved a review of the Terms of Reference, acknowledging that the Board must evolve to become the place-based Board for health and care including agreeing and overseeing JHWS priorities concerning health and care integration, health protection, prevention and health inequalities (including the wider determinants of health). Partners agreed to provide appropriate representation to allow for strategic leadership, accountability and decision making across Leicestershire
8. The revised Terms of Reference for the Board are attached at Appendix A. These have been amended to take account of the refreshed Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy, and the considerable changes across the health and care landscape as a result of the developing ICS, ensuring the Board's work is aligned across the ICS, between system, place and neighbourhood including Primary Care network representation.

Staying Healthy Partnership Board

9. The Health and Wellbeing Board approved the draft Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy for consultation at its meeting in November 2021, which is based on a life course approach, framed using the LLR ICS life course transformational priorities. As a result, considerable partnership work has been undertaken to progress the Strategy which is being presented for final approval as part of a separate item on this agenda. The Best Start for Life element of the approach will be captured through the work of the Children and Family Partnership Board and the Living and Supported Well and Dying well elements are picked up through a refreshed approach from the Integration Executive, both of which are subgroups of the Health and Wellbeing Board. The Staying Healthy, Safe and Well elements require a link into the Board's governance structure that is broader than the existing Unified Prevention Board sub-group, to be able to offer a strategic approach to prevention and increasing the scope to cover areas such as wider determinants of health. It is therefore proposed that the Staying Healthy Partnership Board be established, replacing the Unified Prevention Board. The Terms of Reference for the new Staying Healthy Partnership Board are attached at Appendix B.
10. There is a requirement of the ICS to develop Community Health and Wellbeing Plans at neighbourhood level. Whilst the plans will be owned by local neighbourhood level partnerships, overall place themes will feed into the Staying Healthy Partnership Board. The Staying Healthy Partnership Board will be one of three sub-groups to the Health and Wellbeing Board (along with the Children and Family Partnership Board and Integration Executive) and the draft structure is attached at Appendix C. As changes and developments are progressed with ICS partners, further adaptations of this document will be presented to the Board.

Communication and Engagement Strategy

11. At its meeting on the 8 July 2021, the Board noted the development of the Communication and Engagement Strategy to ensure a sustainable programme of active engagement continued through the Board's work. A long-term Strategy has been developed to consider how awareness of the Board can be raised, understanding and visibility increased, progressed reported and continual feedback collated to inform priorities and delivery of the Strategy.
12. The Communications and Engagement Strategy will support the delivery of the JHWS along with the Health and Wellbeing Board's objectives, to regularly communicate with residents and communities and ensure that the JHWS is reflective of their experiences.

Resource Implications

13. The proposed establishment of the Staying Healthy Partnership will be undertaken using existing budgets and resources. To support the evolution of the Health and Wellbeing Board and deliver the communication and engagement plan an engagement officer will be recruited within the Public Health Department to work with partners across Leicestershire.

Equality and Human Rights Implications

14. None arising from this report. Individual service changes that result from the work of the Health and Wellbeing Board and subgroups will complete Equality and Human Rights Impact Assessments as appropriate.

Background papers

Report of Leicestershire County Council Chief Executive – Board Governance
<https://politics.leics.gov.uk/documents/s158088/Board%20Governance.pdf>

Appendices

Appendix A - Revised HWB Terms of Reference
 Appendix B - Staying Healthy Partnership Board Terms of Reference
 Appendix C – System, Place and Neighbourhood Governance structure
 Appendix D – HWB Communication and Engagement Strategy

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