

# Health & Wellbeing Board

Mental Health Development Session  
December 2023 – Key Points



**The development session highlighted a number of issues which will be worked through and incorporated into the work of the Mental Health sub-group as follows:**

<b>Key Challenges/Issues</b>	
<b>Understanding the patient/resident journey</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Recognising the need to design services around people.</li><li>• Ensuring partners/agencies appreciate how it is to navigate the system from beginning to end - from the user perspective</li></ul>
<b>Review overlapping priorities to ensure alignment and prevent duplication</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mapping exercise of organisational priorities carried out at the development session.</li><li>• Highlighted the need to review priorities and identify opportunities for collaboration to prevent duplication where there could be potential overlap.</li></ul>
<b>More focus on children &amp; young people (CYP)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Need to ensure CYP mental health is addressed and part of the remit in a number of groups – could result in it being more challenging to maintain clear oversight.</li></ul>

## Challenges/Recommendations generated at the development session:

Key Points	
<b>Role of the HWBB</b>	To provide the link between system, place and neighbourhood: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• improve ways of working across system, particularly with districts and neighbourhoods</li><li>• improve communication regarding priorities between system, place and neighbourhoods</li></ul>
<b>Working effectively across the four HWBB subgroups</b>	Strengthen the link between HWBB sub-groups around common themes, eg mental health, health inequalities  Need to identify potential overlaps with other sub-groups including the Children and Families Partnership, the Staying Healthy Partnership and Integration Executive.
<b>Commitment from partners</b>	All partners to communicate & challenge ways of working to effect change (through greater collaboration)
<b>Remove barriers</b>	To enable working across different organisations with different cultures and differing often complex governance structures.

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<b>Voluntary Sector</b>	Improve and encourage more meaningful engagement with the Voluntary and Community sector.
<b>Strategy &amp; Commissioning</b>	Improve the approach to strategy and commissioning at place level through joint decision-making processes.  Review the Joint Commissioning Group (JCG), which sits within Integration Executive. (Update: currently in progress)
<b>Proactive</b>	Seek new opportunities for early intervention and prevention