

HEALTH AND WELL-BEING BOARD

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FORWARD PLAN AND RELATED ACTIONS

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Priorities

Mental health & well-being

Yes

Being Active

Yes

Reducing harm from Alcohol

Yes

Other (specify below)

Safeguarding

Impact on Safeguarding Children

Yes

Reports for both adult and children's safeguarding boards
included in the plan

Impact on Safeguarding Adults

Yes

Reports for both adult and children's safeguarding boards included in the plan

Item for Decision, Consideration or Information

Decision

Recommendation

1. **The Health and Well-being Board is asked to:**
 - a) **Agree the Forward Plan to February 2018 (Appendix 1),**
 - b) **Approve the proposal for a joint meeting of the Health and Well-being Boards for Herefordshire and Worcestershire in order to discuss the STP; and**
 - c) **Note the establishment of a Housing Task and Finish Group.**

Background

2. At the last meeting of the Health and Well-Being Board, members received an update from the private development session of the Board, held on 25 January, to discuss the way the Board works in the context of maximising its' role as strategic leader of the health and social care system at a time of unprecedented challenge and change. The Board agreed to introduce regular thematic reviews of

key areas including inequalities and prevention, and to focus on specific programme areas of the STP. It also decided to introduce Task and Finish groups where needed to focus on areas of particular challenge, with the first being on housing, the use and effectiveness of current and future funding streams.

3. The draft forward Plan is attached as Appendix 1. Board members are asked to comment, and note that this will now be brought regularly to Board for review.

4. Discussions on 14 March between senior officers, Chairs and Vice-chairs of the Health and Well-being Boards of Herefordshire and Worcestershire to consider the potential for joint discussions about the STP and possible joint working arrangements between the two Boards to ensure that a full process of review has taken place and the members of both Boards have considered the proposals and impact across the whole footprint.

5. It is now proposed to hold a meeting of the two Boards, initially in private, followed by a public meeting on the same day. This meeting will focus on the outcomes of the public engagement process; the refreshing of the plan; broad principles in oversight of the plan where aligned; areas for collective working; and areas where the impact of the plan may vary between the two counties. It is proposed that this meeting be convened in May, by which time the engagement process will have concluded and been analysed, and the plan will have been refreshed.

6. Discussions are currently underway with key statutory agencies and partners to consider the way in which housing services and strategic approaches to housing can better operate across the health and social care system. An initial meeting of key officers will be considering the scope and remit for this work and looking at the commissioned services, funding arrangements, statutory duties and outcomes that are currently being achieved. A focus for the work is likely to be the national Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to improve health through the home. The MoU recognises the right home environment is essential to health and well-being throughout life, and that there has to be co-operation across housing, health and social care sectors to achieve this. The Board has already agreed to the MoU principles. An initial update report back will come to the Board in July.

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Supporting Information

- Appendix 1 – Forward Plan

Background Papers

N/A