

HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD		AGENDA ITEM No. 10
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HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD DEVELOPMENT REPORT

RECOMMENDATIONS	
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH	Deadline date : N/A.
The Board is asked to note this report and discuss/decide what further areas for development it wishes to pursue and by what means. Some options are listed in section 4 of this report.	

1. ORIGIN OF REPORT

This report is submitted to Board following two Board development sessions held in January and March 2013.

2. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

- 2.1 The purpose of this report is to summarise the process and outcomes of recent Board development sessions; and seek the Board's views on options for further Board development.
- 2.2 This report is for the H&WB to consider under its Terms of Reference – 2.1 *To bring together the leaders of health and social care commissioners to develop common and shared approaches to improving the health and wellbeing of the community*

3. BACKGROUND AND SUMMARY

- 3.1 The Board is still in its early days in terms of working together to develop and implement the new systems required as part of the Health and Social Care Act (2012). In September 2012 the Board agreed that development as a Board was important and agreed to explore options for its development. The Department of Health and the LGA have recognised that support is necessary to enable Health & Wellbeing Boards to work effectively. During the previous year national and regional learning sets have been organised as well as resources made available locally, including Board assessment tool-kits.
- 3.2 Two development sessions have been held, in January and in March 2013, with support from a national facilitator nominated by the LGA/NHS Leadership Academy. There follows a summary of the sessions and outcomes.
- 3.3 Peterborough's Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board has seen a shift from a Local Authority bias towards a whole system focus as new members, including Clinical Commissioning Group and Patient representatives, became more established in their roles and more engaged in the Health and Wellbeing Board (H&WB) process. As part of this transition the H&WB has undertaken development with the objectives of building relationships within a common purpose for the good of Peterborough's population. At their first development session H&WB members were keen to discuss roles and ambitions for the Board as well as relationships and how members could collaborate more effectively. Leading on from this, members were encouraged to explore how collaborative working might benefit health outcomes for Peterborough.

- 3.4 Further facilitated sessions enabled Board members to have more free and open discussions about perceived difficulties they might encounter, constraints across the system, and how they might work together for the benefit of local population outcomes. Members also explored how they could practically achieve some early 'Small Wins' in partnership working. The value of these development sessions included the opportunity for members to have open and frank debate in a private space. This also required them to find ways to hold each other to account for their views and opinions expressed and gave each member time and space to become part of the conversation, which would not otherwise occur through their normal practice.
- 3.5 This learning process has enabled members to better appreciate the complexity of issues faced by the Board, recognising that a joined-up, collectively shared approach is required. Any 'Small Wins' that have been achieved are through agreement to: be consultative across partners, strategically challenge and support initiatives, review membership and amend meeting time and process to allow greater engagement, multi-perspective dialogue and open conversations. In turn this has enabled H&WB members to establish an approach based on genuine partnership working across the constituent parts of Peterborough's Health and Social Care Economy.

4. ANTICIPATED OUTCOMES

- 4.1 The Board may wish to have further informal/private development sessions, focussing on the following areas:
- 4.1.2 Accessing continued opportunities for networking/Board development at regional and national level through the Local Government Association (LGA)/NHS
 - 4.1.3 The forward plan for the Board's business during the forthcoming year
 - 4.1.4 Deep dive exercise into agreed areas across the Board's joint areas of responsibility to enable a shared knowledge and understanding of key issues and priorities
 - 4.1.5 Patient and public involvement, stakeholder and community engagement activity
 - 4.1.6 Review of the Board's progress at certain points during the year.

5. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 5.1 Given the pressure on the Board's agenda and time during the public quarterly meetings, informal opportunities between quarterly meetings would enable the Board to look at some of the development areas necessary to enable the Board to work efficiently and effectively.

6. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 6.1 The Board may choose not to undertake further development and may choose to discuss the areas proposed in section 4 during its quarterly public meetings

7. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

- Used to prepare this report, in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985
- 7.1 *Health and Social Care Act 2012*

The Local Authority (Public Health, Health and Wellbeing Boards and Health Scrutiny) Regulations 2013
<http://healthandcare.dh.gov.uk/hwbs-health-scrutiny-regulations-2013/>