

Report to:	Council	Date of Meeting:	17 th November 2022
Subject:	Health and Wellbeing Board Terms of Reference		
Report of:	Executive Director for Adult Social Care and Health	Wards Affected:	All.
Cabinet Portfolio:	Cabinet Member Health and Wellbeing		
Is this a Key Decision:	No	Included in Forward Plan:	No
Exempt / Confidential Report:	No		

Summary:

A report to present to Council a revised set of Terms of Reference for the Health and Wellbeing Board, which forms part of the Councils Constitution. This is in response to the introduction of the Health and Care Act (2022) and following a programme of development delivered in partnership with the Local Government Association.

Recommendation:

That the revised terms of reference for the Health and Wellbeing Board be approved and the Constitution be amended accordingly.

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Appendices:

Refreshed Terms of reference for the Sefton Health and Well Being Board.

Background Papers:

There are no background papers available for inspection.

1 Background

- 1.1 Sefton Health and Wellbeing Board was established under the Health and Social Care Act 2012 (the Act). It is a statutory committee of the Council with its terms of reference being part of the Council's Constitution
- 1.2 Health and Wellbeing Boards (HWBs) and the new Integrated Care Systems will be supported to work together to complement each other, with ICS being required to work closely with HWBs and have regard to the local joint strategic needs assessments and health and wellbeing strategies within the ICS footprint.
- 1.3 Following discussions with the Local Government Association (LGA), the Sefton

Health and Wellbeing Board agreed to hold a series of development sessions as an opportunity for the Board to consider what it needs to do to become the driver for the “Place” of Sefton. This would position the board as the primary advocate for Sefton with the Cheshire and Merseyside Integrated Care System as established by the Health and Care Act 2022.

2. Introduction

- 2.1 The following section sets out the context of the importance of the Health and Wellbeing board in the emerging landscape set out by the Health and Care Act (2022).
- 2.2 Health and Wellbeing Boards are the only statutory bodies where political, commissioning, professional and community representatives are able to come together to find common purpose as equal partners. Through their elected Members, they are democratically accountable to their communities.
- 2.3 They are uniquely placed to link with other place-based strategies such as housing, regeneration, planning, community safety, in order to address the wider determinants of health. Importantly, they cover a geographical area that means something to people.
- 2.4 Moving to effective place-based leadership will require the Board to demonstrate, for example:
 - Collaboration between local government and other system players
 - Decisions taken as close to the community as possible
 - Building on local strategies and evidence to agree and work to shared activity and action plans
 - Strong co-production and commitment to engage with local people
 - Focus on preventative population health
 - Striving for best value
 - Trust, openness to innovation, learning and challenge
 - An ability to deliver measurable change • Membership that flexes as the Board’s role evolves
- 2.5 The Health and Wellbeing Board will be pivotal in setting, monitoring and driving the long-term vision for health and wellbeing in the Borough, ensuring oversight, assurance and demographic accountability. The Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) will be an important platform. The Board will enhance its responsibility for the oversight, review and development of the JSNA and the Place Plan, taking account of the wider determinants of health and wellbeing.

3. Reviewing the Terms of Reference

- 3.1 Following a series of development sessions, the Health and Wellbeing board agreed in February that a new Terms of Reference be produced encapsulating the principles and ways of working identified in the development session and reflected in the Sefton Place partnership Collaborative Agreement.

- 3.2 The document also includes details of a broader membership which encapsulates representation from across the Health and Care system in Sefton.
- 3.3 The full Terms of Reference are appended to this report. They reflect principles of working and ambitions and vision to be achieved based on the Health and Wellbeing Strategy.

4. Conclusion

That the revised terms of reference for the Health and Wellbeing Board be approved and the Constitution be amended accordingly.