

Report to:	Health and Wellbeing Board	Date of Meeting:	Wednesday 13 September 2023
Subject:	Sub-Group Updates		
Report of:	Director of Public Health	Wards Affected:	(All Wards)
Portfolio:	Health and Wellbeing		
Is this a Key Decision:	No	Included in Forward Plan:	No
Exempt / Confidential Report:	No		

Summary:

This report is to present the Health and Wellbeing Board with a summary of activity from the five identified subgroups and seek approval for the Better Care Fund Planning Template 2023-25. The report also includes a summary of activity from the Combatting Drugs Partnership and outlines changes to pharmacies in Sefton. This is activity since the last report received by the Board on the 8th of March 2023.

Recommendation(s):

- (1) The Updates from the five identified subgroups and the Combatting Drugs Partnership are received and noted by the Board;
- (2) The Board approves the Better Care Fund Planning Template 2023 -25; and
- (3) The Board notes the changes to Pharmacies in its area.

Reasons for the Recommendation(s):

The Board is asked to routinely receive and note updates to ensure compliance with required governance standards.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected: (including any Risk Implications)

None

What will it cost and how will it be financed?

(A) Revenue Costs

The contents of this report do not incur additional revenue costs.

(B) Capital Costs

The contents of this report do not incur additional capital costs.

Implications of the Proposals:

Resource Implications (Financial, IT, Staffing and Assets):	
There are no resource implications.	
Legal Implications:	
There are no legal implications.	
Equality Implications:	
There are no equality implications.	
Impact on Children and Young People: Yes	
The Children and Young People’s Partnership Board is one of the Sub-Groups included in the update report.	
Climate Emergency Implications:	
The recommendations within this report will	
Have a positive impact	No
Have a neutral impact	Yes
Have a negative impact	No
The Author has undertaken the Climate Emergency training for report authors	Yes

Contribution to the Council's Core Purpose:

Protect the most vulnerable:
Ensure the Health Wellbeing Board has oversight of Subgroup activity and its impact. A number of the Sub-Groups are focused on helping the most vulnerable.
Facilitate confident and resilient communities:
Ensure the Health Wellbeing Board has oversight of Subgroup activity and its impact. A number of the Sub-Groups regularly work with communities.
Commission, broker and provide core services:
Ensure the Health Wellbeing Board has oversight of Subgroup activity and its impact. A number of the Sub-Groups are responsible for assisting with the provision of core services.

Place – leadership and influencer: Ensure the Health Wellbeing Board has oversight of Subgroup activity and its impact. A number of the Sub-Groups are involved/included with(in) the Sefton Place Plan.
Drivers of change and reform: Ensure the Health Wellbeing Board has oversight of Subgroup activity and its impact. A number of the Sub-Groups are responsible for facilitating change across Sefton.
Facilitate sustainable economic prosperity: Not Applicable
Greater income for social investment: Not applicable
Cleaner Greener: Not applicable

What consultations have taken place on the proposals and when?

(A) Internal Consultations

The Executive Director of Corporate Resources and Customer Services (FD.7362/23.) and the Chief Legal and Democratic Officer (LD.5562/23.) have been consulted and any comments have been incorporated into the report.

(B) External Consultations

Not applicable.

Implementation Date for the Decision

Immediately following the Board meeting.

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Appendices:

The following appendices are attached to this report:

1. Better Care Fund Narrative Plan Template
2. Sefton Better Care Fund 2023-25 Planning
3. SEND CIB Governance Proposal

Background Papers:

There are no background papers available for inspection.

1. Introduction/Background

1.1 As agreed at the December 2019 meeting of the Health and Wellbeing Board, the Board receives a standard agenda item of summarised activity of its formal Sub-Groups.

1.2 The Sub-Groups are identified as:

- Children and Young People Partnership Board
- SEND Continuous Improvement Board
- Adults Forum
- Health and Wellbeing Board Executive
- Health Protection Forum

1.3 The Board also received regular Combatting Drugs Partnership updates which is included in the report.

1.4 Also included in the report is Sefton's Better Care Fund Planning Template 2023-25 for approval. This follows the approval of the Better Care Fund 2022-23 at the last meeting of the Board (7 June 2023).

1.5 The Board is required to receive and note changes to Pharmacies in its area from NHS England which are included in detail below.

2. Children and Young People Partnership Board

2.1 This update details the activity of a meeting held on the 14th of June 2023. The Group met and discussed Virtual Schools; the post 16 offer is seen as a strength following expansion of the team and greater monitoring and work with Career Connect. Following closer follow up and targeted work there is improvement with the leaving care picture. The cost-of-living impact is being felt in terms of decision making but support has been offered. Greater Governance around the Virtual Schools is needed through SAPH and SASH.

2.2 The Board noted an ongoing review of short breaks in the area of children with disabilities and received an update on delivering best value programme that could attract additional external funding. The Board received an oversight on the links between NEET and the Caring business charter, further work is needed on the full pathway and understanding what is driving the numbers. The Caring Business Charter has now seen more than 62 signatories with a huge breadth and in-depth conversations are taking place. A Practitioners Panel has been created to look into this in more detail as it is recognised the Charter requires greater dialogues across all areas, to date there has been 40 young people referred to the Charter, with 20 still engaged in the process.

2.3 The Board also noted standard items of Key Risk and received the notes of the Early Help Partnership, Start Well and the Emotional Health and Wellbeing Partnership.

3. Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Continuous Improvement Board (SEND CIB)

3.1 The Board has not met since the last update; it was due to meet on the 13th of July, but the meeting was cancelled.

3.2 The SEND CIB Governance Proposal (found at Appendix 3 of the report) was agreed by the Chair of the Board on the 11th of July 2023. The proposal included the following items for approval:

- Revised CIB Governance structure and delivery groups
- Pre and post CIB meeting schedule and function
- CIB and supporting groups Terms of Reference review
- Chairs and Senior Leader representation
- CIB Decision/Action log to replace minutes
- CIB Agenda
- Delivery Groups reporting approach
- Development of a SEND local area data dashboard

4. Adults Forum

4.1 The Adults Forum have not met since the last update (prior to the agenda publication date). The next meeting is scheduled for the 6th of September.

5. Health Protection Forum

5.1 The Sefton Health Protection Forum last met in July 2023 for a development session.

5.2 The session provided an opportunity to reflect on what has worked well and what elements of the forum need to be reviewed and/or improved. Membership, functions and purpose of the group, and frequency of meetings were reviewed. New terms of reference will be considered by the Forum ahead of the next meeting in October.

5.3 The below possible key priorities for the group were discussed and will be considered within a workplan for the forum at the next meeting:

- Acute Respiratory Infections
- Measles
- Immunisations (with a particular focus on childhood immunisations)
- Blood borne viruses
- Harm reduction and drug related deaths
- Emergency planning and preparedness
- Community Infection prevention and control
- Antimicrobial resistance
- Learning from incidents

6. Health and Wellbeing Executive

- 6.1 The Health and Wellbeing Executive last met on the 17th of August 2023.
- 6.2 The Executive received an update on performance and finance which reflected that capacity is being met at maximum and highlighted the need to review further ongoing work on improvements and changes to the pathway. The Executive were informed of upcoming deadlines regarding the Better Care Fund.
- 6.3 The Executive were updated on progress with the Sefton Place Plan, Sefton has followed a bespoke approach aligned with the Joint Forward Plan Development. Each Place is updating its Health and Wellbeing Board/Partnership in accordance with its governance structure. Work is progressing to identify metrics that will facilitate monitoring and to produce an accessible version of the plan with a draft document to be shared for comments by the end of August.
- 6.4 The Executive received a Governance update which included the establishment of a tripartite panel process, meeting review tool and recommendations around consolidation of meetings. This builds on previous work defining that the CYPB requires a clear vision, to be re-established as a Forum that reports to the Sefton Partnership.

7. Combatting Drugs Partnership

- 7.1 The Combating Drugs Partnership (CDP) is a multi-agency forum that is accountable for delivering the outcomes in the 10-year Drugs Plan within local areas. CDPs will provide a single setting for understanding and addressing shared challenges related to drug-related harm, based on the local context, and need.
- 7.2 The local Sefton CDP meets quarterly and has met once on 27/06/2023 since the last update. The next meeting is 28/09/23.
- 7.3 Each CDP meeting has a themed spotlight session, the focus for the June meeting was on Drug related deaths / Blood Borne Viruses. Discussions took place around individuals who are not engaged with Services and Sefton reaching national targets for increasing numbers into structured treatment. The Partnership have agreed Supplemental Substance Misuse Treatment and Recovery Grant (SSMTR) funding for Council for Voluntary Service (CVS) to undertake engagement work to gain insight into individuals and families impacted by drug and alcohol use, who do not engage with services.
- 7.4 Feedback was provided on the Mersey CDP with regional/national updates shared. It was agreed where it makes sense to work collaboratively as a sub-region of Cheshire and Merseyside on potential issues.
- 7.5 The draft Local Delivery Plan was presented; this was an opportunity for partners to review and provide feedback before sign off. Attendees stated they were happy with the final version. The plan will be reviewed on an annual basis with updates and actions shared with the partners.
- 7.6 A version of the local Sefton CDP dashboard was tabled and an update on progress provided. Gaps in data were discussed and requests made to partner

agencies to provide information were possible. It was noted that the national Outcomes Framework has now been released which will use data to be provided by National Drug Treatment Monitoring System (NDTMS), which local CDPs can also use for monitoring.

- 7.7 A draft version of the annual Stocktake was requested to be undertaken nationally by all CDPs was shared, partners were provided with an overview of the CDP and a summary of progress against national requirements. Sefton is on target for meeting all requirements for year 1.
- 7.8 In line with National guidance voice lived experience will need to play a role in influencing the work of the CDP, developing this role locally will be part of the work programme moving forward of the partnership.
- 7.9 Local issues concerning the use of Nitrous Oxide Gas in school settings was highlighted. It was agreed that Change, Grow, Live (CGL) would create an educational message which could be shared with schools. This would include information services for young people and guidance for parents.
- 7.10 Sefton CDP contributed to a report for the Merseyside CDP chaired by the PCC Office which is attended by the Sefton Senior Reporting Officer – Margaret Jones.
- 7.11 A CDP briefing is going to the Cabinet Member for Health & Wellbeing Meeting in September.

8. Pharmacy Updates

- 8.1 The Health and Wellbeing Board is required to receive and note changes to Pharmacies in its area from NHS England. From June 2023 to date, the following notifications have been received:

Pharmacy	Notifications
Aim RX Ltd Bridge Road Chemist 54-56 Bridge Road	Reduction in opening hours from 100 hours to 72
Asda Stores Limited Asda Pharmacy 81 Strand Road	Reduction in opening hours from 100 hours to 72
Sharief Healthcare Ltd L Rowland & Co (Retail) Ltd 15 Chapel Lane	Change of Ownership

9. Better Care Fund Planning Template 2023-25

- 9.1 Appendix 1 contains a template for local areas to use to submit narrative plans for the Better Care Fund (BCF). All local areas are expected to submit narrative BCF plans. Although the template is optional, we ask that BCF planning leads ensure that narrative plans cover all headings and topics from this narrative template.

9.2 Appendix 2 contains Sefton's Better Care Fund Planning Template 2023 -25 for approval by the Board.