

MEETING:	HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
MEETING DATE:	24 MARCH 2015
TITLE OF REPORT:	HEALTH & WELLBEING STRATEGY PUBLIC CONSULTATION
REPORT BY:	Interim Consultant in Public Health

Classification

Open

Key Decision

This is a key decision.

Wards Affected

County-wide

Purpose

To provide the Committee with a progress report on the refresh of the health and wellbeing strategy and to seek the views of Members on the priorities to date.

Recommendation

THAT:

- (a) The Committee discuss and comment on the development of the strategy by the Health & Wellbeing Board to date and endorse the approach being taken**

Alternative Options

- 1 There are no Alternative Options as the Health & Wellbeing Board has been established under the provisions set out in the Health & Social Care Act 2012 and is a key strategic leadership forum that drives ongoing improvements in health and wellbeing across Herefordshire. The Board has a duty to agree and publish a joint health and wellbeing strategy setting out ambitious outcomes for improved health and wellbeing across Herefordshire.

Reasons for Recommendations

- 2 It is important that that Members take an active role in the development of the key themes and priorities of the health and wellbeing strategy

Key Considerations

- 3 There is an early draft version of a health & wellbeing strategy in place with an agreed vision and some key principles. There is now an integrated needs assessment in place as well as a children and young people's needs assessment which forms the bedrock of any health and wellbeing strategy. The new iteration will be ready for consideration at the Health & Wellbeing Board.
- 4 Additional work is required to identify the key themes for the health and wellbeing strategy based on the recent developments within the council and across partner organisations whereby major proposals new programmes are being developed. A series of seven priorities have been identified with common recurring themes.
- 5 To ensure credibility for the health and wellbeing strategy consultation with the public and stakeholders is underway. It is important to consider and reflect on the feedback especially about the priorities and how people keep well.
- 6 The health and wellbeing strategy will not replace existing strategies and plans but should value to those already in place
- 7 The health and wellbeing strategy should enable partners to collectively focus effort where impact will be greatest on the health and wellbeing of local people.

Financial Implications

- 8 None.

Consultees

- 9 A range of officers and elected members of the council have been consulted with as have various officers and chairs of local partnerships. The Supportive Communities Working Group is overseeing the work. The consultation is now open to the public.

Appendices

Appendix 1 – Presentation

Background Papers

None