

Title of report: Health and Wellbeing Board Work Programme

Meeting: Health and Wellbeing Board

Meeting date: Thursday 21 July 2022

Report by: Democratic services officer

Classification

Open

Decision type

This is not an executive decision.

Wards affected

(All wards)

Purpose

To consider potential items for future board activity.

Recommendation(s)

That:

- (a) The board considers the prioritisation of potential items for future board activity.**

Alternative options

1. It is for the board to determine its work programme to reflect the priorities facing Herefordshire. The board needs to be selective and ensure that the work programme is focused, realistic and deliverable within existing resources.

Key considerations

2. The work programme needs to focus on the key issues of local concern and be manageable. It must also be ready to accommodate urgent and statutory items.

3. During 2021/22, the board considered the following items of business:

Meeting date and link to the papers:

Agenda items:

[8 March 2021](#)

Director of Public Health Annual Report

[26 July 2021](#)

Herefordshire and Worcestershire Learning from Lives and Deaths- People with Learning Disability (HW LeDeR) Annual Report 2020/21

Carers Strategy

Better Care Fund (BCF) Year End Report 2020-21

Meeting Schedule for 21-22

[6 December 2021](#)

Herefordshire Safeguarding Children Partnership Report to HWBB re Children and Young People's Mental Health and Suicide during 2020

Countywide approach to become a Sustainable Food Place

Joint strategic needs assessment (JSNA) 2021

Herefordshire and Worcestershire Mental Health and Wellbeing Strategy

Herefordshire's Better Care Fund (BCF) and Integration plan 2021-22

[28 March 2022](#)

A report by NHS England and NHS Improvement on Dental Provision in Herefordshire as of March 2022.

Herefordshire's Physical Activity Strategy

Establishing the Integrated Care Partnership

Health and Wellbeing Board Work Plan 2022/23

4. During the year, the board has referred to the listed documents to identify potential items for future board activity:

Appendix 1: Herefordshire HWB Reporting Requirements

Appendix 2: HWB Forward Plan 2021-22

5. The board may wish to consider the prioritisation of potential items to inform the work programming for the new Integrated Care System in 2022/23 at this meeting, or to

request a separate work programming session for board members during September 2022.

Community impact

6. In accordance with the adopted code of corporate governance, Herefordshire Council is committed to promoting a positive working culture that accepts and encourages constructive challenge and recognises that a culture and structure for scrutiny are key elements for accountable decision making, policy development and review. Topics selected for scrutiny should have regard to what matters to residents.

Environmental impact

7. Herefordshire Council provides and purchases a wide range of services for the people of Herefordshire. Together with partner organisations in the private, public and voluntary sectors we share a strong commitment to improving our environmental sustainability, achieving carbon neutrality and to protect and enhance Herefordshire's outstanding natural environment.
8. The topics selected for the board will take environmental impact into account.

Equality duty

9. Under section 149 of the Equality Act 2010, the 'general duty' on public authorities is set out as follows:

A public authority must, in the exercise of its functions, have due regard to the need to:
 - (a) eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation and any other conduct that is prohibited by or under this Act;
 - (b) advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it;
 - (c) foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it.
10. The public sector equality duty (specific duty) requires us to consider how we can contribute positively to the advancement of equality and good relations, and demonstrate that we are paying 'due regard' in our decision making in the design of policies and in the delivery of services. As this report concerns the administrative function of the board, it is not considered that it will have an impact on the equality duty.
11. The topics selected for the board need to have regard to equality and human rights issues.

Resource implications

12. The costs of the work of the board will have to be met within existing resources. It should be noted that the costs of running Health and Wellbeing board can be subject to an assessment to support appropriate processes.

Legal implications

13. A Health and Wellbeing board is a statutory partnership within the council. The development of a work programme that is focused and reflects priorities facing Herefordshire will assist the board and the council to deliver the statutory functions.

Risk management

14. There is a reputational risk to the council if the board does not operate effectively. The arrangements for the development of the work programme should help to mitigate this risk.

Consultees

15. The work programme is reviewed at board meetings. The chairperson, vice-chairperson, Herefordshire Council officers and appropriate partners also keep the work programme under regular review.

Appendices

Appendix 1 Herefordshire HWB Reporting Requirements

Appendix 2 HWB Forward Plan 2021-22

Background papers

None identified.