

HEALTH & WELLBEING BOARD

Explanatory Note

The Health & Wellbeing Board (HWB) is established as a Committee of the Council pursuant to Section 194 of the Health and Social Care Act 2012 and in accordance with the modifications enacted by the Local Authority (Public Health, Health and Wellbeing Board and Health Scrutiny) Regulations 2013. The HWB is responsible for advancing the health and wellbeing of the people in its area through the development of improved and integrated health and social care services. In particular, it is responsible for approving a Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy and a Joint Strategic Needs Assessment.

The HWB comprises 7 Councillors and 7 further voting members determined having regard to the requirements of Section 194 of the Health and Social Care Act 2012. In addition, the Health & Wellbeing Board may appoint additional non voting co-optees in line with relevant legislation and guidance.

Delegated Functions

1. To promote integration and joint working in health and social care services across the City in order to improve the health and wellbeing of the people of Brighton & Hove;
2. To provide City-wide strategic leadership to public health, health, adults and children's social care commissioning, acting as a focal point for determining and agreeing health and wellbeing outcomes and resolving any related conflicts;
3. To approve and publish the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) for the City;
4. To approve and publish a Joint Health & Wellbeing Strategy (JHWS) for the City, monitoring the outcomes goals set out in the JHWS and using its authority to ensure that the public health, health, adults and children's commissioning and delivery plans of member organisations accurately reflect the Strategy and are integrated across the City;
5. To receive the Clinical Commissioning Group's draft annual commissioning plan and to respond with its opinion as to whether the draft commissioning plan takes proper account of the relevant Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy. Where considered appropriate by the HWB, to refer its opinion on the annual commissioning plan to the National Health Service Commissioning Board and to provide the CCG with a copy of this referral;
6. To receive the Local Safeguarding Children's Board's Annual Report for comment;
7. To support joint commissioning and pooled budget arrangements where agreed by the HWB that this is appropriate;

8. To establish and maintain a dialogue with the Council's Local Strategic Partnership Board, including consulting on its proposed strategies and reporting on outcomes in line with the City's Performance and Risk Management Framework.
9. To involve stakeholders, users and the public in quality of life issues and health and wellbeing choices, by
 - communicating and explaining the JHW Strategy;
 - developing and implementing a Communications and Engagement Strategy;
10. To represent Brighton & Hove on health and wellbeing issues at all levels, influencing and negotiating on behalf of the members of the Board and working closely with the local HealthWatch;
11. To appoint non-voting co-optees in compliance with relevant legislation and guidance;
12. To operate in accordance with the Local Authority (Public Health, Health and Wellbeing Board and Health Scrutiny) Regulations 2013.
13. To review annual progress against city priorities in line with the national public health outcomes framework.
14. To receive reports from relevant programme boards and related multi-sector committees with a remit for public health in order to inform the Health and Wellbeing Strategy including: the Alcohol Programme Board, the Substance Misuse Programme Board, the Healthy Weight Programme Board and the Sexual Health Programme Board.
15. To agree and sign off local plans required to access the Integrated Transformation Fund (ITF), the first of which to be signed off and submitted by 31st March 2014.
16. To oversee and monitor the implementation of local ITF plans.
17. To receive and approve any further plans or strategies that are required either as a matter of law or policy to be approved by the Health and Wellbeing Board.

