



Although a formal committee of the city council, the Health & Wellbeing Board has a remit which includes matters relating to the Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG), the Local Safeguarding Board for Children and Health Watch. Papers come from a variety of sources. The format for Health & Wellbeing Board papers is consequently different from papers submitted to the city council for exclusive city council business.

1. Formal details of the paper

- 1.1. Title of the paper
Summary Report of Healthwatch B&H Performance: Year 1 - 2013/14
- 1.2 Who can see this paper?
Everyone
- 1.3 Date of Health & Wellbeing Board meeting
14 October 2014
- 1.4 Author of the Paper and contact details
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2. Decisions, recommendations and any options

This is a report for information – no decision is required.

3. Relevant information

- 3.1 The Health & Social Care Act (2012) introduced Healthwatch as the new vehicle for patient and public involvement in health and social care.
- 3.2 All upper-tier councils are required to contract for the provision of local Healthwatch services (Healthwatch is funded via a central government grant to local authorities).

- 3.3 Following a tender process, the Brighton & Hove Healthwatch contract was awarded to Community Works. The contract is managed by the council's Communities, Equalities and 3rd Sector Commissioning team.
- 3.4 In response to a Public Question at the June 2013 HWB meeting, members agreed that the Board should consider performance information for the first year of the Healthwatch contract (13-14) at a future meeting. This information is included as **Appendix 1** to this report.

3. Important considerations and implications

4.1 Legal

There are no legal implications arising from this report.

Elizabeth Culbert

26/09/14

4.2 Finance

'The total expenditure for Healthwatch in 2013/14 was £206,757 of which £199,000 was from Brighton & Hove City Council (BHCC). In addition to this expenditure, there were costs of £8,352.94 met by BHCC to cover the monitoring of the Healthwatch contract. The costs incurred by BHCC were met in full by Department of Health grant funding.'

Anne Silley

30/09/14

4.3 Equalities

Equalities issues are addressed in the Healthwatch contract and performance management arrangements (see **Appendix 1**)

4.4 Sustainability

No implications identified.

4.5 Health, social care, children's services and public health

No implications identified.

5 Supporting documents and information

Appendix 1: performance information provided by BHCC Communities team.