

**Draft proposal for revised governance arrangements and reporting structure
between Children's Trust Board the Health & Wellbeing Board**

1. Background

The Council needs to have a Children and Young People's Plan (CYPP) or a Service Delivery plan that sets out how the local priorities for children and young people and services will be targeted for vulnerable children and young people. The plan is currently overseen by the Children's Trust Board (CTB) and the Local Authority. The Local Safeguarding Children Board (LSCB) also issues a yearly reciprocal challenge paper to the CTB, holding it to account on its safeguarding.

The Health and Wellbeing Board is a statutory body and with the recent alignment of the CYPP 2014-2017 to the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy it would seem timely that during the remaining life of the current CYPP changes to the way it reports on the delivery of the plan need to be developed, with a view to the Health and Wellbeing Board having more 'ownership' of the next CYPP (or CYP Service delivery plan) 2017-2020

The CTB is no longer a statutory body, which gives an opportunity to:

- Review and clarify governance arrangements
- Encourage stronger partnership working across cyp and health, greater integration of services and promotion of a shared purpose
- Explore synergies and overlaps between the Health and Wellbeing Board and CTB – the CYPP has been recently aligned to the Health and Wellbeing Strategy, enabling more opportunities for join up in performance monitoring.
- Reduce duplication and enable greater join up of priorities and work (e.g. a number of members currently attend both boards).

The Chair of the CTB has supported taking a proposal to the Health and Wellbeing Board Agenda setting meeting on 17.06.2015

2. Roles of the Boards

There are currently 3 "boards" that have some responsibility in ensuring that the identified local priorities for children and young people are achieved: these include the Children Trust Board, The Local Safeguarding Children's Board and the Health and Wellbeing Board.

The role of the Children's Trust Board is to:

- To oversee the development, of the Children and Young People's Plan and ensure this incorporates the Health and Wellbeing Board Priorities.
- To monitor and evaluate annually the Outcome Framework within the CYPP

- To provide leadership to improve the lives of all children and young people in B&NES.
- To provide inter-agency governance of the co-operation arrangements between partners and organisations with a role in improving outcomes for children and young people.
- To ensure a strategic framework within which partners will co-operate to improve children's well-being and embed partnership working in each partners' delivery of their own functions.
- To co-ordinate and help deliver actions that support the development of a child centred and outcome led vision clearly informed by the views of children and young people and their families within B&NES.
- To challenge and hold the LSCB to account for local safeguarding arrangements (reciprocal challenge)

The role of the Local Safeguarding Children Board is to:

- Co-ordinate what is done by each person or body represented on the Board for the purposes of safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children in the area of the authority
- Ensure the effectiveness of what is done by each such person or body for that purpose
- Protect children from maltreatment
- Prevent impairment of children's health or development;
- Ensure that children are growing up in circumstances consistent with the provision
- Provide safe and effective care.
- To challenge the CTB around local provision of services to support safeguarding arrangements.

The role of the Health and Wellbeing Board is to:

- Develop a joint strategic needs assessment (JSNA) and pharmacy needs assessment (PNA)
- Prepare the Joint Health and Wellbeing strategy (JHWS)
- Consider whether the commissioning arrangements for social care, public health and the NHS are in line with the JHWS
- Consider whether the Clinical Commissioning Groups' (CCG) commissioning plan has given due regard to the JHWS
- Have oversight of integrated commissioning arrangements, including the Better Care Fund Plan for B&NES providing challenge to the CCG and/or Council Leadership if local commissioning plans have not had adequate regard to the JHWS
- Receive reports from the Joint Commissioning Committee, which is a formal Committee of the CCG Governing Body and is accountable to Cabinet Members within the Council

The Board will seek to:

- Influence the strategic planning and service delivery of health and wellbeing services in B&NES through the promotion of the JSNA, PNA and JHWS

- Promote joint working and the use of the NHS Act 2006 flexibilities to increase joint commissioning, Pool and align budgets (where appropriate), to support the effective delivery of the JHWS
- Influence planning, transport, housing, environment, economic development and community safety in order to address the wider determinants of health and wellbeing
- Work collaboratively with the B&NES Public Services Board
- Strategically performance manage key activity against the key priorities of the JHWS

(Responsibility for the scrutiny of health and wellbeing will continue to lie with the Health & Wellbeing Select Committee (formerly Policy Development & Scrutiny Panel))

3. Options:

- To disband the CTB during 2016 -2017 and to write the next CYPP 2017-2020 as a service delivery plan for the Health and Wellbeing Board – This would be a new key responsibility and would require an officer led 'partnership group' to be set up to oversee this work during 2016-2017
- To develop a governance structure whereby Health and Wellbeing Board will be in a position by April 2017 to receive reports on the delivery of the CYPP 2017- 2020 (directly from lead officers/strategy groups)
- To transfer the LSCB "challenge arrangements ", currently given to the CTB, to the Health &Wellbeing Board by April 2017.

RECOMMENDATION - for Health and Wellbeing Board for 2015-2016 Agenda setting meeting June 2015

1. To consider the indicated options and to provide feedback on the proposal
2. To agree to take the proposal forward for wider consultation with members of the CTB, LSCB and Health and Wellbeing Board
3. Hold a Stakeholder Development Day in autumn 2014 –possibly part of the LSCB Stakeholder Day on Nov 26th 2015
4. To develop a timeframe (work plan) to take forward the proposed governance changes and to present these at the November Stakeholder Event

Signed Mary Kearney-Knowles, as agreed at the Children Trust Board
11.06.2015

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