

MEETING	B&NES HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD
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<u>Report summary table</u>	
Report title	Community asset based approach to health and wellbeing
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List of attachments	Appendix One – Draft HWB Statement of Commitment
Background papers	Compassionate Communities - https://www.3sg.org.uk/compassionatecommunities.html
Summary	<p>This agenda item builds on initial discussions had by the Health and Wellbeing Board in a development session on community asset based approaches to health and wellbeing. It presents a draft HWB Statement of Commitment for consideration and further discussion.</p> <p>As part of this item, the Board will also welcome a verbal update from James Carlin (B&NES Third Sector Group) on the developing work of the Compassionate Communities project.</p>
Recommendations	<p>The Board is asked to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider and discuss the draft HWB Statement of Commitment • Raise any amendments or additions members may wish to make and, if appropriate, adopt the Statement • Note the Compassionate Communities update and consider how the Board can further support this project
Rationale for recommendations	<p>The Health and Wellbeing Board is committed to building a truly whole-place approach to health and wellbeing in B&NES. This means strengthening its system leadership role in influencing the wider determinants of health and wellbeing.</p> <p>The Marmot Review states that in order to reduce health inequalities in England we need to improve community capital and reduce social isolation across the social gradient.</p> <p>Public Health England has produced new guidance entitled, Health matters: community-centred approaches for health and wellbeing. This stresses that positive health outcomes can only be achieved by addressing the factors that protect and create health and wellbeing and many of these are at a community level.</p>
Resource implications	There is no requirement for additional financial resource arising from this. Appendix One sets out some suggested ways in which HWB members can offer support to community initiatives promoting good health and wellbeing. These are based on existing resources and in partnership with HWB member organisations.
Statutory considerations	NA

and basis for proposal	
Consultation	This report has been drafted based on discussions held by Health and Wellbeing Board members.
Risk management	A risk assessment related to the issue and recommendations has been undertaken, in compliance with the Council's decision making risk management guidance.

THE REPORT

- 1.1 The Bath and North East Somerset Health and Wellbeing Board held a development session in November 2018 aimed at increasing its shared understanding of community asset based approaches to health and wellbeing.
- 1.2 The Board discussed the considerable assets that exist within our local communities and the positive impact they have on our health and wellbeing. Members also began to identify some initial opportunities for working differently and championing this approach further.
- 1.3 Appendix One builds on this discussion and sets out a draft statement of commitment on behalf of the Health and Wellbeing to developing an asset based approach to health and wellbeing. As stated, it is in draft form only at this stage and further input from Board members would be welcome.
- 1.4 Alongside this discussion, the Board will also receive a verbal update on Compassionate Communities B&NES. This project is being led by the B&NES Third Sector Group (3SG) and is focused on identifying and supporting the local networks and resources that exist across our communities. It aims to develop a holistic and people-centred approach to connecting people to care and support, recognising the role communities can play alongside health and social care services.