

Review of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy and Strategy Working Group Proposals

APPENDIX 1 - Health and Wellbeing Board revised Framework

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Context

Before we review the overall B&NES H&WB strategy, we need to consider the potential to revise the structure of the H&WB Board. To re-frame the H&WB Board with a social and community focus with prevention and early intervention at its heart, community resilience and building on people's strengths.

It should move away from solely focusing on acute services and health based solutions

To re-focus on: the planning of improved support needs of the community; a holistic approach to health and wellbeing – including meaningful engagement with community providers and communities.

This includes a greater voice for people, third sector, education and early years' providers.

Outcomes could address:

- Framework of collaboration (Mental Health Collaborative Framework model)
- Community Engagement focused approach
- Planning for change
- Multi-agency working

We need to place this within the context of the Board's current statutory requirements, and a restructured Board post April (aligning to the CCG merger across BSW).

However, we require a Board that has space and opportunity for meaningful discussion and debate and can be more responsive to early planning both at scale and within the B&NES locality rather than solely a vehicle for 'sign off' on papers.

Statutory requirements of a Health and Wellbeing Board

- Health and Wellbeing Boards came into being in 2013 and were established under the Health and Social Care Act 2012 to act as a forum in which key leaders from the local health and care system could work together to improve the health and wellbeing of their local population.
- Must produce a joint strategic needs assessment
- Must produce a joint health and wellbeing strategy for the local population
- Functions are set out under sections 116 and 116A of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 ("the 2007 Act") are to be exercised by the Health and Wellbeing Board established by the local authority

- Safeguarding adult boards (in B&NES this is the BCSSP) are required to send a copy of their annual report to the chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board (Schedule 2 of the Care Act 2014)

Proposal

A proactive Board which:

- Meets quarterly
- Is mobile – meeting across B&NES to improve accessibility and visibility to the public and other stakeholders
- Has an overarching vision of a Compassionate Community which is resilient
- Has a standing agenda item to allow for ‘sign off’ of statutory requirements
- Replaces presentations with ‘Making a Difference’ groups focusing on:
 - Children and school leavers and those transitioning in/out of education and care,
 - Information sharing and communication including clarity of the messages, when/where/how we communicate messages, digital offer as an enabler
 - Social determinates of health inequalities – housing, poverty, debt, employment, complexity of issues
 - Integrated health and care commissioning to achieve against the priorities contained in:
 - Council corporate plan (sections relevant to the Board only)
 - NHS Long Term plan

and learning from what has worked well from covid 19 to restart services, ensuring all vulnerable communities are supported through building resilient communities.

- Links with the work of the Bath and North East Somerset Community Safety and Safeguarding Partnership

The groups will be tasked with production of brief discussion papers based on their priority themes which will be outcomes focused. Key individuals and stakeholders will be invited to lead on and participate in the discussions and debates.

The common threads running through these groups will include:

- placing the individual at the centre of their care
- workforce challenges
- shared protocols
- improved working practices
- models of good practice and innovation
- social prescription
- think family and community

To be chaired/lead by a Board member/s

Be responsive to real time issues

The current closed, development section of Board will remain in place while the new framework is being established.

To be agreed/next steps:

- an accountability structure
- short, medium and long term outcomes
- twelve-month term of chairing
- RAG rated plans for the 'Making a Difference' groups including ToR
- quarterly reporting aligned to the Board's calendar of meetings
- a clear mandate, purpose and roadmap for the HEB Board to measure and demonstrate progress against some core objectives

A timescale for the development/sign off of the strategy to be agreed.