

**REPORT TO:** Health & Wellbeing Board  
**DATE:** 17<sup>th</sup> January 2024  
**REPORTING OFFICER:** Director of Public Health  
**PORTFOLIO:** Health and Wellbeing  
**SUBJECT:** Health and Wellbeing Board Forward Plan  
**WARD(S)** Borough-wide

**1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

1.1 To bring the new Health and Wellbeing Board Forward Plan to the attention of all members, to provide an opportunity to consider this and discuss any implications

**2.0 RECOMMENDATION: That the Board:**

- i) To note the content of the report**
- ii) Endorse the use of a thematic forward plan by HWBB**

**3.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

3.1 In 2022, the Local Government Association (LGA) supported Halton Borough Council in reviewing the role of the Health and Wellbeing Board. The recommendations included an updated Terms of reference and agenda planning aligned with One Halton/HWBB strategic objectives supported by forward planning.

3.2 The updated terms of reference were signed off at the October 2023 meeting

3.3 The review suggested that part 1 of an agenda includes the statutory functions and accountabilities of the board and part 2 being thematic; led by the priorities of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy and would involve partners from within the borough providing and sharing information on the chosen theme, showcasing where partners work together and provide a platform whereby the Board have the opportunity to meet and hear from providers and grass roots

3.4 As there are four themes these can be aligned with the quarterly HWBB meetings. Thematic meetings related to Ageing Well and Starting Well have already been successful. Moving forward the intention is to be more explicit about themes enabling all members early sight and opportunity to participate. An officer has been identified who will support the role.

3.5 Annual Forward plan. An outline plan is produced below but this will include more detail as the officer will work with members of the board to produce a more detailed content for part 1 items and thematic content for the part 2 sections.

Content	Meeting
Part 1	January meeting
Support our community in <i>Starting Well</i>	
Part 1	March meeting
Support our community in <i>Living Well</i>	
Part 1 DPH Annual Report	July meeting
Tackling the wider determinants of health	
Part 1 PNA JSNA summary	October meeting
Support our community in <i>Ageing Well</i>	

#### 4.0 **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1 HWBBs continue to be responsible for:
- assessing the health and wellbeing needs of their population and publishing a joint strategic needs assessment (JSNA)
  - publishing a joint local health and wellbeing strategy (JLHWS), which sets out the priorities for improving the health and wellbeing of its local population and how the identified needs will be addressed, including addressing health inequalities, and which reflects the evidence of the JSNA
  - The JLHWS should directly inform the development of joint commissioning arrangements in the place and the co-ordination of NHS and local authority commissioning, including responsibility for signing-off Better Care Fund plans
  - a separate statutory duty to develop a pharmaceutical needs assessment (PNA)

#### 5.0 **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 HWBBs do not commission health services themselves and do not have their own budget but play an important role in informing the allocation of local resources. An oversight role has been included in that ICBs and their partner NHS trusts, and NHS foundation trusts are required to share their joint capital resource use plan and any revisions with each relevant HWBB. The HWBB is also responsible for signing off Better Care Fund plans

#### 6.0 **IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES**

- 6.1 **Children & Young People in Halton**  
Improving the Health and Wellbeing of Children and Young People is a key priority in Halton and was identified as a priority through consultation and engagement.

- 6.2 **Employment, Learning & Skills in Halton**

The above priority is a key determinant of health and was identified as a priority through consultation and engagement in developing the HWBB strategy. Therefore, improving outcomes in this area will have an impact on improving the health of Halton residents

**6.3 A Healthy Halton**

All issues outlined in this report focus directly on this priority.

**6.4 A Safer Halton**

The environment in which we live, and the safety of our communities has a direct impact on our health and wellbeing.

**6.5 Halton’s Urban Renewal**

The environment in which we live, and the physical infrastructure of our communities has a direct impact on our health and wellbeing.

**7.0 RISK ANALYSIS**

7.1 This report content does not present any obvious risk. Any risks linked to implementation will be identified as they arise and recorded.

**8.0 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES**

8.1 This is in line with all equality and diversity issues in Halton and supports a reduction in inequalities.

**9.0 CLIMATE CHANGE IMPLICATIONS**

There are no obvious impacts on climate change.

**10.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972**

Document	Place of Inspection	Contact Officer
<a href="#">Health and wellbeing boards – guidance</a>	Runcorn Town Hall	Ifeoma Onyia Director of Public Health
<a href="#">The Health and Care Act 2022</a>	Runcorn Town Hall	Ifeoma Onyia Director of Public Health
<a href="#">the NHS Long Term Plan</a>	Runcorn Town Hall	Ifeoma Onyia Director of Public Health
the DHSC’s <a href="#">integration white paper (Health and social care integration: joining up care for people, places and populations)</a>	Runcorn Town Hall	Ifeoma Onyia Director of Public Health
the DHSC’s <a href="#">adult social care reform vision</a>	Runcorn Town Hall	Ifeoma Onyia Director of Public Health