

3 December 2014**Agenda Item: 8****REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF THE HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD****CHAIR'S REPORT****Purpose of the Report**

1. To provide members with information on issues relevant to the Health and Wellbeing Board.

Information and Advice**Children with special educational and complex needs**

2. The Department of Health has published: **Children with special educational and complex needs: guidance for health and wellbeing boards** which gives guidance and advice for health and wellbeing boards on how best to oversee the implementation of changes made by the Children and Families Act 2014.

The guide highlights the pivotal role of the Board in supporting how the local NHS, social services, schools and colleges support the needs of children with complex and special educational needs including those with acute illness or injury. In particular, the Board has responsibility for:

- Overseeing the assessment of local needs in a Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA), and agreeing with its members a Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy (JHWS)
- Giving its views on how well that strategy is supported by CCG commissioning, e.g. when consulted on draft commissioning plans or as part of the annual performance assessment of the CCG.
- Supporting the Pledge for 'Better health outcomes for children and young people' and giving particular consideration to children and young people's health and wellbeing in the Board's activities.
- The Disabled Children's Charter (details below)

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Disabled Children's Charter for Health and Wellbeing Board

3. In June 2013 the Nottinghamshire Health and Wellbeing Board agreed and signed the Disabled Children's charter. The Charter asks that the Health and Wellbeing Board will provide evidence within one year, this has been done through a briefing paper to Everyday Disabled Child Matters in July 2014. The briefing gave an overview of Nottinghamshire's

commitment to the charter. Whilst it acknowledges we still have a way to go, we are committed to improving outcomes for children and young people with special educational needs and disability (SEND) and the services they access. This ongoing commitment from Nottinghamshire is led through the Integrated Commissioning Group for SEND, the Integrated Commissioning Hub and the delivery of the SEND reforms through the Education, Health and Care Plan Pathway.

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Prime Minister's Challenge on Dementia

4. The Prime Minister's Challenge on Dementia comes to an end in 2015. The Department of Health has written to local authorities outlining the changes the government has made to support the challenge, and asking authorities to offer support to: increase awareness of dementia, promote Dementia Friends and support carers. These areas are all included in the Health & Wellbeing Dementia Plan for 2014/15.

NHS England is also working with local areas to ensure CCGs meet the target of diagnosing 67% of people expected to have dementia by March 2015. Current performance (October 2014) by Nottinghamshire CCGs is set out below.

CCG	Diagnosis rate
Bassetlaw	72.4%
Mansfield & Ashfield	67.3%
Newark & Sherwood	53.6%
Nottingham North & East	56.4%
Nottingham West	68.9%
Rushcliffe	66.5%

Finally, the Department of Health is seeking support from Health & Wellbeing Boards to use the Better Care Fund to improve care for people with dementia.

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Health and Wellbeing Board Peer Review

5. The scoping meeting for the Peer Review took place on 23 October 2014. A timetable for the review is now being drawn up. There will be an initial feedback session for everyone involved in the peer review on Friday 6 February 2015 and Board members are asked to attend. The venue and times will be confirmed with the timetable.

Health and Wellbeing Board Stakeholder Network

6. The latest Stakeholder Network event took place on 10 November 2014. It focussed on homelessness and was attended by around 60 people.

Presentations were received giving an account of national and local issues, health issues for homeless people and a personal account of homelessness. These were followed by table

discussions which looked at preventing homelessness, improving health and wellbeing outcomes for homeless people and how to optimise help for newly homeless people.

A summary of the event is available on the Nottinghamshire County Council website.

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Information received

The following are items which have been sent for the attention of the Board:

7. [Safe Places in Nottingham and Nottinghamshire](#)

Nottingham Mencap has launched a Safe Places scheme supported by Nottingham Police, Nottingham Fire & Rescue Service, Nottingham City Council and Nottingham County Councils. The scheme is to provide safe places in the community where vulnerable people with learning disabilities can go if they get into trouble or feel unsafe.

Update on policy and guidance

There have been a number of policies and guidance documents issued which are aimed at health and wellbeing boards. The following is a summary of those which may be of interest to Board members:

8. [A new settlement for health and social care: final report](#)

Independent Commission on the Future of Health and Social Care in England.

This report discusses the need for a new settlement for health and social care to provide a simpler pathway through the current maze of entitlements.

9. [Voluntary and community sector \(VCS\) engagement with HWBs](#)

Regional Voices.

This report contains results from a survey conducted earlier this year about how the VCS is engaging with health and wellbeing boards. The survey found that some good practice for how boards involve the VCS, is emerging. However, some issues remain with only 20% of respondents reporting that they felt that their organisation was linked with the work of health and wellbeing boards.

10. [Making an impact through good governance: health and wellbeing boards](#)

The Local Government Association

Now that boards are fully operational, their emphasis is on being as effective as possible in their statutory and influencing roles. The guide is intended to be of practical use to members of health and wellbeing boards in all of the membership categories.

11. [Connecting Health and Wellbeing Boards: a Social Media Guide](#)

The Local Government Association

The guide explores: some of the current social media channels; five broad principles for using social media; and five levels of social media engagement for health and wellbeing boards to encourage progress and best practice.

12. [Healthwatch: On the board toolkit](#)

Developing skills for effectiveness on health and wellbeing boards.

The Local Government Association

This toolkit is designed to support local Healthwatch representatives and provides: guidance on the skills the local Healthwatch representative needs to effectively represent the local Healthwatch on the HWB, and tools that representatives can use for self-development of leadership capacity.

Statutory and Policy Implications

1. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, finance, human resources, human rights, the NHS Constitution (Public Health only), the public sector equality duty, safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults, service users, sustainability and the environment and ways of working and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

RECOMMENDATION/S

- 1) That the report be noted.

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Constitutional Comments

2. This report is for noting only.

Financial Comments

3. There are no financial implications contained within the report.

Background Papers and Published Documents

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

- None

Electoral Divisions and Members Affected

- All