

meeting Council

date 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2011

agenda item number **16**

## **REPORT OF THE DEPUTY LEADER**

### **HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD**

#### **Purpose of the Report**

To consider:

- (a) amending the constitution in relation to the Health and Wellbeing Board to allow for members of the Board representing organisations other than the County Council to appoint substitutes.
- (b) making a change to the membership of the Board

#### **Background**

The membership and terms of reference of the Health and Wellbeing Board was established by the County Council in March 2011 following the Council being accepted as one of the early implementers by the Department of Health.

Membership of the Board includes representatives of District Council's and GP Consortias. Due to the unusual nature of the Board's membership, it is proposed to amend the constitution so that substitutes can attend as representatives of the non- County Council organisations represented on the Board.

It is suggested that the following wording be included as paragraph 17.10 of the Council's procedure rules – standing orders under the heading 'Appointment of Committee's and Sub-Committee's of Council'.

"For the Health and Wellbeing Board substitute members can be appointed for the non- County Council representatives. Substitute members will have all the powers and duties of any ordinary member of the Board but will not be able to exercise any special powers or duties exercisable by the person they are substituting.

Substitute members may attend meetings in this capacity only:-

- i) To take the place of the ordinary member for whom they are substituting.
- ii) Where the ordinary member will be absent for whole of the meeting:

- iii) After the proper officer has been officially notified.”

The current membership of the Board includes a representative from the NHS Commissioning Board. As a result of revised arrangements for Strategic Health Authorities it would not be possible for them to be represented on all Health and Wellbeing Boards. It has been suggested that a representative would be better coming from the Primary Care Trust cluster. This is now being followed up and Dr Doug Black has been nominated as the representative. Approval is sought for this change of membership.

### **Statutory and Policy Implications**

This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of Finance, Equal Opportunities, Human Resources, Crime and Disorder and those using the service. Where such implications are material they have been described in the text of the report.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

- 1) That the constitution be amended as set out in the report.
- 2) That the membership of the Health and Wellbeing Board be amended as set out in the report.

**COUNCILLOR MARTIN SUTHERS OBE**  
Deputy Leader

### **Legal Services Comments**

### **Financial Comments of the Service Director/Finance**

### **Background Papers Available for Inspection**

Nil

### **Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected**

All