

Committee:	Dated:
Health and Wellbeing Board	27 November 2015
Subject: The Health and Wellbeing Board's input to other Committees	Public
Report of: Director of Community and Children's Services	For decision

Summary

The Health and Wellbeing Board does not have its own budget, therefore it is vital that it influences other City of London Corporation committees and partner organisations in order to carry out its work.

The membership of the Health and Wellbeing Board includes representatives from different committees and partner organisations. Its reporting structures ensure that information updates flow between the Health and Wellbeing Board and other committees, boards and advisory groups. Additionally, at officer level, the views of the Health and Wellbeing Board are represented cross departmentally, with Health and Wellbeing Officers working collaboratively with their colleagues across a wide variety of projects and policies.

Recommendation

Health and Wellbeing Board members are asked to:

- Note this report
- Endorse the adoption of a Health and Wellbeing Board forward plan that is supported by
 - a. regular agenda planning meetings with the Chairman and policy officers in the Town Clerk's department, to identify corporation-wide issues that touch on health and wellbeing
 - b. Regular engagement with the City and Hackney CCG, Tower Hamlets CCG and NHS England, as part of the agenda-planning, to identify external health and wellbeing issues that have an impact on the City

Main Report

Background

1. The Health and Wellbeing Board does not have its own budget, therefore it is vital that it influences other City of London Corporation committees and partner organisations in order to carry out its work. This report note sets out the HWB's involvement with other committees and explores possible options for future activity.

Current Position

Membership

2. The membership of the Health and Wellbeing Board is designed so that key City of London committees and partner organisations are represented. Members include:
 - Three Members elected by the Court of Common Council
 - Chairman/representative of Policy and Resources Committee
 - Chairman/representative of Community and Children's Services Committee
 - Chairman/representative of the Port Health & Environmental Services Committee
 - Director of Public Health
 - Director of the Community and Children's Services Department
 - Environmental Health and Public Protection Director
 - Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG)
 - Healthwatch
 - Safer City Partnership
 - City of London Police

Reporting

3. Currently formal reporting between committees consists of the following:
4. Summary reports from each meeting of the Health and Wellbeing Board are sent to the Safer City Partnership, Adult Safeguarding Sub-Committee and Adults Advisory Group, to ensure these groups/committees are kept up to date with the work of the Health and Wellbeing Board.
5. Regular update reports are received by the Health and Wellbeing Board from the Safer City Partnership and Adult Wellbeing Partnership. The latter is a sub-committee of the Health and Wellbeing Board. A Healthy Behaviours Partnership is also currently being established as a sub-committee of the Health and Wellbeing Board.

6. Performance and progress reports are received on a six-monthly basis and enable the Health and Wellbeing Board to monitor whether the priorities set out in the Health and Wellbeing Strategy are being successfully delivered. Several of our priorities have a significant impact on health and wellbeing but do not come under the traditional remit of public health, health and social care services. These include priorities about air quality, noise pollution and physical activity and child poverty. This means that joint working with Port Health and Public Protection, Open Spaces, Planning and Transport, Built Environment and Economic Development is vital and the Health and Wellbeing Board is informed of progress and achievements through these reports.
7. In addition, key documents such as the Noise Strategy and Air Quality Strategy are received by the Health and Wellbeing Board.

Joint working

8. A key strength of the Health and Wellbeing Board in the City is the strong network with officers across the Corporation. Officers representing the Health and Wellbeing Board work alongside their counterparts in other departments to influence their strategies, policies and work plans and ensure that health and wellbeing concerns are properly represented. Recent examples include collaboration on:
 - Air Quality Strategy and action plan
 - Contaminated Land Policy
 - Noise Strategy
 - Open Spaces Strategy
 - Local Plan (with Built Environment)
 - London Supplementary Planning Guidance (with GLA and Built Environment)
 - Environmental enhancement plans and Thames Strategy (street scene and the role of active transport)
 - Community Trigger and anti-social behaviour (with Community Safety)
 - Implementation of 20mph speed limit (with Transportation)
 - Plans to encourage more walking and cycling in the City (with Transportation)
 - Learning Well programme (with Adult Education)
 - Books on Prescription, health checks and community events (with Libraries)
 - Suicide Prevention Action Plan (with Police Committee and Safer City Partnership)
 - COLC employee health and wellbeing work (with Establishment Committee)
9. Through this programme of activity, the Health and Wellbeing Board has proven itself to be a valuable consultation resource for other committees including

- Planning and Transportation Committee
- Licensing Committee
- Port Health and Environmental Services Committee
- Safer City Partnership
- Police Committee
- Establishment Committee
- Open Spaces and City Gardens Committee
- Culture, Heritage and Libraries Committee

10. Its work also influences external and partnership organisations including:

- City Healthwatch
- City and Hackney Clinical Commissioning Group
- NHS England
- The Greater London Authority (GLA)
- Public Health England (PHE)
- Transport for London (TfL)

11. The Health and Wellbeing Board has also been extremely effective in engaging with the public including residents and, to a lesser degree, City workers. Examples of this include the Love Health day and a number of other specific consultation events. The Board has been assisted in this by its close relationship with City Of London Healthwatch

12. Over the last two and a half years the Health and Wellbeing Board and its Chairman have engaged with a wide range of partners and stakeholders and have reviewed a significant number of key issues and policies that impact on the health and wellbeing of its community. However a significant proportion of the work that the Board has undertaken has been reactive to issues or initiatives that have developed elsewhere.

13. There is potential for the Health and Wellbeing Board to extend its sphere of influence, and to take a more strategic approach to forward planning to enable it to be more pro-active.

14. It is therefore recommended that the Health and Wellbeing Board adopts a Health and Wellbeing Board forward plan that is supported by

- c. regular agenda planning meetings with the Chairman and policy officers in the Town Clerk's department, to identify corporation-wide issues that touch on health and wellbeing

- d. Regular engagement with the City and Hackney CCG, Tower Hamlets CCG and NHS England, as part of the agenda-planning, to identify external health and wellbeing issues that have an impact on the City

Conclusion

Whilst the Health and Wellbeing Board has made excellent progress in influencing the work of committees within the City of London Corporation, there is potential for it to increase its influence with external health partners, as well as to take a more strategic approach to forward planning.

Appendices

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