

HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

Friday, 29 January 2016

**Minutes of the meeting of the Health and Wellbeing Board held at
Committee Room - 2nd Floor West Wing, Guildhall on Friday, 29 January
2016 at 11.30 am**

Present

Members:

Revd Dr Martin Dudley (Chairman)
Deputy Joyce Nash (Deputy Chairman)
Ade Adetosoye
Jon Averbs
Gareth Moore
Simon Murrells

In Attendance

Billy Dove, Chief Commoner
Paul Haigh, Hackney CCG

Officers:

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| Natasha Dogra | Town Clerk's Department |
| Nigel Lefton | Remembrancer's Department |
| Neal Hounsell | Department of Community and Children's Services |
| Farrah Hart | Department of Community and Children's Services |
| Nicole Klynman | Department of Community and Children's Services |
| Poppy Middlemiss | Department of Community and Children's Services |
| Ellie Ward | Department of Community and Children's Services |
| Tirza Keller | Department of Community and Children's Services |
| Luke Harley | City of London Police |
| Oliver Sanandres | Department of Human Resources |
| Rebecca Abrahams | Department of Human Resources |
| Shivangi Medhi | London Borough of Hackney Public Health team |

- 1. APOLOGIES OF ABSENCE**
Apologies had been received from Jeremy Simons, Dhruv Patel, Dr Penny Bevan and Superintendent Helen Isaac.
- 2. DECLARATIONS UNDER THE CODE OF CONDUCT IN RESPECT OF ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**
There were no declarations.
- 3. MINUTES**
Resolved – that the minutes of the previous meeting be agreed as an accurate record.

Matters Arising:

The Health and Wellbeing Board's input to other Committees

The Board discussed how best to implement the consideration of health and wellbeing aspects into reports from departments across the organisation. Officers informed the Board that Senior Officers had discussed this matter at the Summit Group meeting on 20th January 2016.

Resolved – that the Town Clerk be invited to ensure that Senior Officers are encouraged to bring the consideration of health and wellbeing to the forefront of their respective department's priorities.

4. PROVISION OF NON-ALCOHOLIC DRINKS AT CITY-HOSTED EVENTS

The Board received a report from the Remembrancer outlining the current arrangements for the provision of non-alcoholic beverages at City Corporation events. Members were informed that this provision was being considered by Members as part of the current effectiveness of hospitality review.

The Board noted that at City hosted receptions, caterers were requested to provide both water and an alternative soft drink. At Committee dinners until recently, the choice was sometimes restricted to water and orange juice. Caterers are now required to provide a greater choice.

Members noted that there was an increasing range of non-alcoholic options. For example, at the recent reception for the Chinese State Banquet, the non-alcoholic alternatives were water, "apple and ginger fizz", and lychee and coconut water. Members agreed that the sugar content in non-alcoholic drinks was often very high and therefore not a healthier option.

It was noted that the informal meeting of the Court of Common Council would discuss the provision of wine at business-related events during the day. The Hospitality Working Party at its meeting on 11 December 2015 recommended that wine should be served at lunches by exception, and not at business-related lunch events. Members of the Board were grateful for the report but agreed that more work needed to be done to ensure there was a provision for non-alcoholic drinks to be served during receptions and dinner events.

Resolved – that the update be received.

5. FEMALE GENITAL MUTILATION STRATEGY

The Board received a report which introduced the "Tackling and Preventing FGM – City and Hackney Strategy 2016-2019" which is a joint Strategy with the London Borough of Hackney. The Strategy aims to promote the welfare of girls and women by reducing FGM, identifying those at risk and supporting those that have been affected by this illegal and harmful practice.

In response to a query, Members noted that this was a multi-agency strategy highlighting the need for different agencies to work together to help prevent and tackle FGM in the City of London and Hackney.

The Strategy focuses on the following three priorities:

- 1) Prevention and early intervention
- 2) Strong and effective leadership
- 3) Effective protection and provision

Members noted that the Strategy, which includes an action plan, underwent a consultation process in August 2015. Specific City of London actions include ensuring all City frontline people staff undergone FGM awareness training and working with Sir John Cass Primary School to raise FGM awareness.

Members asked about the engagement with schools associated with City of London residents. Hackney Council previously funded the Christopher Winter Project to run a pilot whole school approach to raise awareness over FGM. In addition, mandatory reporting was introduced in October 2015 for all teachers (as well as health and social care professionals) to report 'known' cases of FGM in under 18 year olds to the Police. Members suggested for the strategy to go to the School Safeguarding Forum.

Members also asked about engagement with men and this strategy includes actions on engaging men and young boys. Currently, Hackney's Public Health team are funding the Hawa Trust to run a series of awareness raising events aimed at men from FGM practising communities.

Resolved – that Members approved the Tackling and Preventing FGM – City and Hackney Strategy 2016-2019.

6. SUICIDE PREVENTION ACTION PLAN REPORT

The Board Members were informed that as a result a City of London Suicide Prevention Action Plan was developed. One key action resulting from the plan is 'The Bridge Pilot'; a joint initiative between the City of London Corporation, City of London Police, the Metropolitan Police and the Samaritans to reduce the number of suicides that occur from bridges within the City of London by training of frontline staff and placing signs with the Samaritans phone number on the bridge to encourage help seeking behaviour.

In January 2014 the HM Government Preventing Suicide in England 'One Year On' report was published which called on local authorities to:

- Develop a suicide prevention action plan
- Monitor data, trends and hot spots
- Engage with local media
- Work with transport to map hot spots
- Work on local priorities to improve mental health

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Members thanked the Officers for their work and noted that whilst this report concentrated on bridges, there was still work to be done to tackle other suicide hot spots in the Square Mile.

Members asked officers to take the report to Licencing and Planning and Transportation committees.

Resolved – that the Board:

- Approved the Suicide Prevention Action Plan
- Reviewed the progress of the actions within the Suicide Prevention Action Plan annually.

7. PRESENTATION- UPDATE FROM TOWER HAMLETS CCG

The Board received an update from Jane Milligan, Tower Hamlets CCG and noted that the Commissioning Intentions were 2016/17 were:

- Mobilisation of Outcomes Based Community Health Services Contract;
- Activating the Vanguard Programme;
- Continued development of Integrated Care Programme focusing on mental health support for people with long term conditions, falls prevention and personalisation;
- Development of Urgent Care Services inc Ambulatory Care pilot, Physician Response Unit and NHS 111;
- Implementation of community pathways for dermatology and MSK;
- Refresh of commissioning strategy for 2016-2021. Priority areas including Early Years and Children, Mental Health and Community Care Development; and
- Working with partners to develop a Sustainability and Transformation Plan.

Resolved – that Members noted the update and thanked Ms Milligan for attending the meeting.

8. BETTER CARE FUND 2016/17

Members noted that the Better Care Fund (BCF) was first introduced to the Health and Wellbeing Board in January 2014. The City of London has had its own BCF plan for 2015/16 which was approved by the Board in September 2014. It is a requirement that BCF plans are signed off by local Health and Wellbeing Boards.

The Comprehensive Spending Review in November 2015 announced funding for the 2016/17 BCF and an outline timetable for submission of the plans has been set out. In response to a query, Members were informed that given the cycle of Health and Wellbeing Board meetings and the proposed BCF timetable, it would be necessary to delegate authority to approve the plan in order to meet the deadlines for submission.

Resolved – that Members delegated authority to the Director of Community and Children's Services in consultation with the Chairman to approve priorities and content of the Better Care Fund Plan where the timescales do not fit with the cycle of full Health and Wellbeing Board meetings.

9. **UPDATE REPORT**

The Board received an update report which highlighted the following areas:

- Healthwatch Update
- Safer City partnership update
- 20 mph scheme update
- Contaminated Land Strategy
- City of London Standards for Houses in Multiple Occupation
- London Health and Care Collaboration Agreement
- Agenda planning meetings
- Square Mile Health service launched in the City
- JSNA calendar update

Resolved – that the update be received.

10. **HEALTHY SCHOOLS PILOT REPORT**

The Board received a summary of the programme of work developed to contribute to Sir John Cass's Foundation primary schools application to the Healthy Schools programme and given its success proposes the work continue and extend to other sites in the City including looking at Prior Western school in Islington which a high proportion of City of London students attend.

Resolved – that Members approved the continuation of the Healthy Schools Project and the extension of the food stall to other sites in the City.

11. **CITY OF LONDON CORPORATION'S HEALTH AND WELLBEING PROGRAMME: CITYWELL**

The Members of the Board received a report of the Director of Human Resources and were informed that good physical health and mental wellbeing are vital to a productive and motivated workforce. By adopting a progressive and proactive approach to the wellbeing of our staff, the City can reduce further sickness absence and presenteeism levels. By implementing a wellbeing strategy and investing in the health of our employees, the Corporation would see in return higher levels of engagement and productivity from our staff, and continue to attract and retain the highest calibre of talent.

Members noted that staff located in offices outside of the City would be taken into consideration and a proactive approach would be taken to ensure they too were included in the programme. Members were made aware of the gym facilities currently available to staff located at Guildhall and Walbrook Wharf; it was agreed that these services needed to be better advertised to staff.

In response to a query, Officers informed Members that a documented strategy would provide the Corporation with the opportunity to build on the achievement of receiving a silver award in the Healthy Workplace Charter in October 2014, and it will enable the City Corporation to demonstrate excellence in our next application.

Resolved – that the Board supported the strategy.

12. **QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE BOARD**
There were no questions.

13. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT**
There was no urgent business.

The meeting ended at 12:57pm.

Chairman

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