

Somerset Health and Wellbeing Board

Report for 13th July 2017

Somerset Health and Wellbeing Board Annual Report

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Summary:	Health and Wellbeing Boards are an important feature of the reforms introduced by the Health and Social Care Act (2012). These Boards are constituted as formal committees of all upper tier and unitary local authorities and form part of the role that local authorities now have to improve the health of their population. This Annual report for 2016 – 17 sets out the progress made under each of the following Board functions: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fulfilment of Statutory Duties• Health Improvement Workstreams• System oversight and Influence		
Recommendations:	That the Health and Wellbeing Board receives and endorses the Health and Wellbeing Board Annual Report for 2016 – 17		
Reasons for Recommendations:	This report provides an overview of the work and achievements of the Health and Wellbeing Board during the year 2016 – 17.		
Links to Somerset Health and Wellbeing Strategy:	This annual report describes progress against the Health and Wellbeing Strategy.		
Financial, Legal and HR Implications:	N/A		
Equalities Implications:	Health is unequally distributed across the population with some groups and communities experiencing disproportional poor health. The Health and Wellbeing Board and the Health and Wellbeing Strategy are required to address the health impacts of inequality and unequal treatment.		

Risk Assessment:	N/A
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1. Background

- 1.1.** Health and Wellbeing Boards are an important feature of the reforms introduced by the Health and Social Care Act (2012). These Boards are constituted as formal committees of all upper tier and unitary local authorities and form part of the role that local authorities now have to improve the health of their population. The Health and Wellbeing Board has the following four statutory duties:
- The Board must have in place a Health and Wellbeing Strategy for its population.
 - The Board must produce a Joint Strategic Needs Assessment to inform planning and commissioning.
 - The Board must produce a Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment for the area.
 - The Board must oversee the Better Care Fund and promote the integration of Health, Public Health and Social Care where appropriate.
- 1.2.** In addition to fulfilling its statutory duties the Somerset Health and Wellbeing Board undertakes to progress health improvement through a number of specific workstreams each year as well as taking an oversight and influencing role across the whole health and wellbeing system. The work of the Board for 2016 – 17 can be seen summarised on the plan on a page in Appendix 1.
- 1.3.** This report sets out the progress made under each of the following Board functions:
- Fulfilment of Statutory Duties
 - Health Improvement Workstreams
 - System oversight and Influence

2. Options considered and reasons for rejecting them

2.1. n/a

3. Consultations undertaken

3.1. n/a

4. Financial, Legal, HR and Risk Implications

4.1. n/a

5. Background papers

5.1. 2016 – 17 Annual Report of the Somerset Health and Wellbeing Board