

## Health Overview and Scrutiny

18 January 2012

Report of the Assistant Director, Integrated Commissioning

## Establishing York's Health and Wellbeing Board

### Summary

1. This paper updates the Committee on progress towards establishing York's Health and Wellbeing Board (H&WB), since the last report on this issue in September.

### Background

2. Committee Members will recall that the requirement to establish an H&WB is contained in the Health and Social Care Bill which is still progressing through Parliament. The H&WB's key functions will be to:
  - *encourage persons who arrange for the provision of any health or social care services in that area to work in an integrated manner,*
  - *provide such advice, assistance or other support as it thinks appropriate for the purpose of encouraging the making of arrangements in connection with the provision of such services,*
  - *encourage persons who arrange for the provision of health-related services in its area to work closely with the health and wellbeing board,*
  - *encourage persons who arrange for the provision of any health or social care services in its area and persons who arrange for the provision of any health-related services in its area to work closely together.*
3. Officers took a paper outlining their recommendations for establishing an H&WB in York to the Cabinet Meeting on 4 October. At that meeting, the views of Health OSC (and others) about the numbers of elected Members of the Board were conveyed to Cabinet, and the original proposal for a single Member was amended to provide for three.

4. For the record, the Membership of the Shadow H&WB is as follows:

Cllr. Tracey Simpson-Laing, Deputy Leader of City of York Council (Chair)  
 Cllr. Janet Looker, Cabinet Member for Education, Children and Young People’s Services, City of York Council  
 Cllr. Sian Wiseman, City of York Council  
 Kersten England, Chief Executive of City of York Council  
 Pete Dwyer, Director Adults, Children & Education, City of York Council  
 Rachel Johns, Associate Director of Public Health and Locality Director for York, NHS North Yorkshire and York PCT  
 Dr. Mark Hayes, Chair of Vale of York Commissioning Consortium  
 Rachel Potts, York Locality Director, NHS North Yorkshire and York PCT  
 Jayne Brown, Chief Executive of NHS York and North Yorkshire PCT  
 Angela Harrison, Chief Executive of York Council for Voluntary Services  
 Jane Perger, York Local Involvement Network (LINK) Representative  
 Patrick Crowley, Chief Executive of York Hospital  
 Chris Butler, Chief Executive of Leeds and York Mental health Trust  
 Mike Padgham, Chair Council of Independent Care Group

5. The Shadow H&WB held its first, informal meeting on 9 December. The agenda for that meeting was as follows:

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| 1 | <p><b>Extended introductions</b></p> <p><i>Each Board member will be asked to briefly introduce themselves, their role and background.</i></p>  |
| 2 | <p><b>Towards a Terms of Reference</b></p> <p><i>This paper invites Board members to consider the role of the Board and what should be the focus and feel of meetings.</i></p>  |
| 3 | <p><b>Update on health and wellbeing reforms</b></p> <p><i>Update on the work streams – CCG, Public Health and HealthWatch.</i></p>   |
| 4 | <p><b>Communications for the Board</b></p> <p><i>This paper asks the Board to consider how, if at all, shared or coordinated communications from the Shadow Health &amp; Wellbeing Board and its members should be managed.</i></p> |

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| 5 | <b>Independent Review of Health Services in North Yorkshire and York</b><br><i>This paper asks the Board to consider how the Independent Review of Health Services in North Yorkshire and York should influence to the Board's priorities and work.</i> |
| 6 | <b>Draft Joint Strategic Needs Assessment outline and stakeholder event</b><br><i>Verbal update</i>   |
| 7 | <b>Forward Plan</b>   |
| 8 | <b>AOB</b>  |

6. Minutes of the meeting are not yet available in final form, but officers can give an account of the discussions if Members wish. The consensus was that the meeting had been productive, and had got business off to a good start. The next meeting of the Board is on 1 February, when it will consider the draft Joint Strategic Needs Assessment. From April onwards, the H&WB will operate as a normal Council Committee (albeit still as a "shadow" Board) and its meetings will be in public.

### **Consultation**

7. No further consultation has taken place since that outlined in the September paper, but the H&WB has got "communications" very much in its sights, and is planning a stakeholder event for March.

### **Options and Analysis**

8. This paper is an update, for information, and as such this section is not relevant.

### **Council Plan 2011-15**

9. This report is particularly relevant to the priorities in the Council Plan of building strong communities and protecting vulnerable people.

### **Implications**

- (a) **Financial** (Contact – Richard Hartle) Although some aspects of the health reforms, especially the transfer of public health, may have significant financial implications, the costs arising from the

establishment of the H&WB are minimal and can be accommodated within existing budgets.

(b) **Human Resources (HR)** *None*.

(c) **Equalities** The new H&WB will be expected to promote equality of outcomes for all groups, especially those for whom there are at present demonstrably unequal health outcomes.

(d) **Legal** (Contact – Andy Docherty) As stated above, the underpinning legislation is still passing through Parliament. Until the legislation comes into force the Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board will have no formal legal status but will, in effect, act as a working group. The Bill proposes that the H&WB will be a committee of the Council. It will be unique though in that its membership will include Officers and representatives of other agencies. In addition the Councillors on the H&WB will be nominated by the Leader rather than by Council and the Leader or the Board.

(e) **Crime and Disorder** *None*

(f) **Information Technology (IT)** *None*

(g) **Property** *None* arising from the establishment of the Board; the possibility of incorporating CCG staff in West Offices will be considered separately.

(h) **Other** *None*

## **Risk Management**

10. The risks arising from the contents of this report are low.

## **Recommendations**

11. The Committee is invited to:

- Note the progress towards establishing a shadow Health and Wellbeing Board for York.

The Committee may wish to request further updates on this issue on a six-monthly basis.

Reason: To update the Committee on the establishment of the Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board in York.

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### Background Papers/ appendices:

None