

HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

1 SEPTEMBER 2020

WORK PROGRAMME

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Summary

The report advises the Board of the forward work programme for discussion in the light of latest priorities, issues and circumstances. It gives the Board an opportunity to shape and direct the Board's activities.

1. Budget and Policy Framework

- 1.1. The Health and Social Care Act 2012 places a duty on local authorities to establish a Health and Wellbeing Board for their area.
- 1.2. On 25 April 2013, the Council established the Board for Medway and agreed its terms of reference.

2. Background

- 2.1. As Members will recall, the Health and Wellbeing Board meeting scheduled for Tuesday 14 April 2020 was cancelled because one of the main items for that meeting would not have been ready in time and the other reports on the agenda were closely connected. It was considered by the Chairman that it would be best to carry all the business forward to the next scheduled meeting of the Board on 23 June 2020.
- 2.2. In response to the COVID-19 outbreak it was also agreed that only the most essential Member level meetings should take place between March and June 2020, as such the Health and Wellbeing Board meeting scheduled for 23 June 2020 was also cancelled.
- 2.3. Considering this and in line with pre-agenda meetings held on 16 March 2020 and 20 July 2020 and discussions in between, the work programme has been reviewed and revised. No business has been lost, it has either been rescheduled or briefing notes are proposed.

2.4. The proposed work programme is set out at Appendix 1 to the report for consideration by the Board. It should be noted that the work programme is likely to be subject to frequent changes and additions throughout the year and is for guidance only.

2.5. It is recommended that the following reports be received by the Board as briefing notes: (In the interest of reducing any delay in providing Members with information, some briefing notes have already been circulated).

1. 2019/20 Better Care Fund Update 2019/2020. This was circulated to the Board on 27 May 2020.

2. Report on engaging schools with respect to children missing education.

3. Update on criminal justice and armed forces in Medway.

Information on how individuals (particularly with armed forces backgrounds) are supported when transitioning from the criminal justice system, including into employment was circulated on 27 May 2020. A further briefing note with additional information in relation health service commissioning and the new secure school is proposed.

- Update on Mental Health Activity in Medway. This was circulated to the Board on 20 August 2020 and is referenced in agenda item 7 (Section 136 Deep Dive Report).

2.6. With respect to the report on existing action undertaken in Medway to lessen deprivation which was listed in the work programme with a date to be determined, it was considered at the pre-agenda meeting held on 16 March 2020 that this report would be the same as the report on Theme 5 of the JHWS: 'Reducing health inequalities' which was scheduled for 1 September 2020 and now proposed for 16 February 2020 and so it is recommended that this item be removed from the agenda.

2.7. It has been recommended that an update on COVID-19 and the Local Outbreak Control Plan be considered at each meeting of the Board.

2.8. Lastly, at the pre-agenda meeting held on 20 July 2020, it was recommended that in addition to the update on the suicide prevention work in Medway on the agenda for 1 September (agenda item 8), an evaluation of the Suicide Prevention Programme be included on the agenda for 3 November 2020. This report would include details of the NHS England evaluation of the national programme, include examples of best practice and consider how the programme will be taken forward in the future (legacy).

2.9. The suggested amendments to the work programme are included within Appendix 1 to the report.

3. The Kent and Medway Joint Health and Wellbeing Board

3.1. The last meeting of the Kent and Medway Joint Health and Wellbeing Board was held on 16 July 2020. At this meeting the Joint Board considered a series

of membership proposals. For information, the current membership of the Joint Board is set out at Appendix 2 to the report.

- 3.2. The Joint Board also considered the COVID-19 Local Outbreak Control Plan and agreed, in principle, that the Joint Board should fulfil the role of the Local Outbreak Engagement Board (i.e. to provide political ownership and public-facing engagement and communication for outbreak response) subject to formal agreement of both the Medway and Kent Health and Wellbeing Boards, see agenda item 12 (Referral from the Kent and Medway Joint Health and Wellbeing Board: COVID-19 Local Outbreak Control Plan Briefing).
- 3.3. Table 1 sets out the future meeting dates and associated agenda despatch dates.

Date of Meeting	Agenda Dispatch
17 September 2020 2pm Virtual Meeting	9 September 2020
8 December 2020 2pm	30 November 2020
10 March 2021 3pm	2 March 2021

Table 1

- 3.4. Meetings within the 2020/21 municipal year will be held either at Gun Wharf, Medway Council, the St George's Centre or as the case may be virtually in accordance with Regulation 5 of the Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020.

4. Risk implications

- 4.1. There are no specific risk implications connected with this report.

5. Financial and legal implications

- 5.1. There are no specific financial implications arising from this report.
- 5.2. In the event of there being any recommendations relating to commissioning these will need to be referred to the Council's Cabinet and/or NHS Medway Clinical Commissioning Group.

6. Recommendations

- 6.1. The Health and Wellbeing Board is asked to agree the work programme attached at Appendix 1 to the report and consider whether any further changes need to be made.
- 6.2. The Health and Wellbeing Board is asked to agree to receive the following reports as briefing notes, noting that to prevent delay, some have already been circulated:
 - 2019/20 Better Care Fund Update 2019/2020 (circulated on 27 May 2020);
 - Report on engaging schools with respect to children missing education;
 - Update on criminal justice and armed forces in Medway (Part 1 circulated on 27 May 2020); and
 - Update on Mental Health Activity in Medway (circulated on 20 August 2020).

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Appendices

Appendix 1: Health and Wellbeing Board Work Programme
Appendix 2: Membership of the Kent and Medway Joint Health and Wellbeing Board

Background papers

None