| REPORT TO:    | HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD 10 December 2014  |
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| AGENDA ITEM:  | 10   |
| SUBJECT:      | Report of the chair of the executive group: incorporating risk register and board work plan                        |
| LEAD OFFICER: | Hannah Miller, Executive director of adults services, health and housing & deputy chief executive, Croydon Council |

#### CORPORATE PRIORITY/POLICY CONTEXT:

The Health and Social Care Act 2102 created statutory health and wellbeing boards as committees of the local authority. Their role is to improve the health and wellbeing of local people by promoting integration and partnership working between the NHS, social care, children's services, public health and other local services, and to improve democratic accountability in health.

#### FINANCIAL IMPACT:

None

### 1. RECOMMENDATIONS

The health and wellbeing board is asked to:

- Note risks identified at appendix 1
- Agree changes to the board work plan set out in paragraph 3.4

## 2. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 2.1 A number of strategic risks were identified by the board at a seminar on 1 August 2013. The board agreed that the executive group would keep these risks under review. A summary of risks is at appendix 1.
- 2.2 The health and wellbeing board agreed its work plan for 2013/14 at its meeting on 24 April 2013. The work plan is regularly reviewed by the executive group and the chair. This paper includes the most recent update of the board work plan at appendix 2.

### 3. DETAIL

3.1 The purpose of health and wellbeing boards as described in the Health and Social Care Act 2012 is to join up commissioning across the NHS, social care, public health and other services that the board agrees are directly related to

health and wellbeing, in order to secure better health and wellbeing outcomes for the whole population, better quality of care for all patients and care users, and better value for the taxpayer.

# Work undertaken by the executive group

- 3.2 The board seminar on 1 August 2013 recommended that the chair of the executive group reported regularly to the board on the work undertaken by the executive group on behalf of the board. Key areas of work for the executive group in November and December 2014 are set out below:
  - Review of the work plan including preparation of board meeting agenda and topic prioritisation against the joint health and wellbeing strategy
  - Review of progress with the new pharmaceutical needs assessment
  - Planned reports to overview and scrutiny committee and full council
  - Liaison with other strategic partnerships including Croydon strategic partnership and children and families partnership
  - Review of board strategic risk register
  - Review of responses to public questions and general enquiries relating to the work of the board

### Risk

3.3 Risks identified by the board are summarised at appendix 1. The executive group regularly review the board risk register. The executive group undertook a detailed review of the highest RAG rated risk at its meeting on 21 October 2014. This is expressed in the risk register as 'Limited or constrained financial allocations in health and social care which gives rise to the inability to balance reducing budgets with a rising demand.' The executive group agreed that whilst the nature and severity of the risk varies between partners and sector the risk rating should remain unchanged at 20 (Red).

# **Board work plan**

- 3.4 Changes to the board work plan from the version agreed by the board on 22 October 2014 are summarised below. Changes were discussed by the executive group on 21 October 2014. This is version 51.0 of the work plan. The work plan is at appendix 2.
  - 3.4.1 Addition of items on mental health crisis care concordat, healthy weight strategy update, and work on illicit tobacco agenda for 11 February 2015
  - 3.4.2 Item on JSNA 2013/14 homeless households chapter moved from 11 February 2015 to June 2015.

### 4. CONSULTATION

4.1 A number of topics for board meetings have been proposed by board members. These have been added to a topics proposals list on the work plan.

### 5. SERVICE INTEGRATION

5.1 All board paper authors are asked to explicitly consider service integration issues for items in the work plan.

### 6 FINANCIAL AND RISK ASSESSMENT CONSIDERATIONS

Where there are financial or risk assessment considerations board paper authors must complete this section and gain sign off from the relevant lead finance officer(s). Where there is joint funding in place or plans for joint funding then approval must be sought from the lead finance officer from both parties.

### 7. LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

7.1 Advice from the council's legal department must be sought on proposals set out in board papers with legal sign off of the final paper.

### 8. HUMAN RESOURCES IMPACT

8.1 Any human resources impacts, including organisational development, training or staffing implications, should be set out for the board paper for an item in the work plan.

## 9. EQUALITIES IMPACT

- 9.1 The health and wellbeing board, as a committee of the council, has a statutory duty to comply with the provisions set out in the Equality Act 2010. The board must, in the exercise of all its functions, have due regard to the need to comply with the three arms or aims of the general equality duty. Case law has established that the potential effect on equality should be analysed at the initial stage in the development or review of a policy, thus informing policy design and final decision making.
- 9.2 Paper authors should carry out an equality analysis if the report proposes a big change to a service or a small change that affects a lot of people. The change could be to any aspect of the service including policies, budgets, plans, facilities and processes. The equality analysis is a key part of the decision-making process and will be considered by board members when considering reports and making decisions. The equality analysis must be appended to the report and have been signed off by the relevant director.
- 9.3 Guidance on equality analysis can be obtained from the council's equalities team.

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### **BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS**

None