

HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

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Title: Health and Wellbeing Board Membership	
Report of the Strategic Director for Service Development and Integration, London Borough of Barking and Dagenham	
Open Report	For Decision
Wards Affected: None	Key Decision: No
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Summary: <p>This report advises on proposed changes to the membership of the Health and Wellbeing Board.</p> <p>The report sets out the current membership arrangements for the Board as well as responsibilities around membership as prescribed in the Health and Social Care Act 2012 and under the current provisions of the Constitution.</p> <p>The report deals with the implications of the retirement of the Corporate Director of Children's Services and the transfer of those statutory functions to an existing Board member. This creates a vacancy in one of the Council's places on the Board.</p> <p>Therefore London Borough of Barking and Dagenham is proposing to enhance the democratic representation on the Board through the addition of another Cabinet Member post to the membership, with the Cabinet Member to be appointed by the Leader.</p>	
Recommendation(s) The Health and Wellbeing Board is recommended to:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) Agree to appoint a further London Borough of Barking and Dagenham Cabinet Member to the Board, in place of the position occupied by the statutory Director of Children's Services.(ii) Note the Leader's nomination of Cllr Bill Turner, Cabinet Member for Corporate Performance and Delivery, for this position and additionally note his nomination of Cllr Sade Bright, Cabinet Member for Equalities for the existing complement of Cabinet Members on the Board; and(iii) Note the report to Assembly that informs them of the amendments, to be reflected in the Council Constitution.	

Reason(s)

This report sets out proposed amendments to the membership of the Health and Wellbeing Board.

1 Membership of the Health and Wellbeing Board

1.1 Certain membership of the Board is prescribed in the Health and Social Care Act 2012 and these Board members are appointed by virtue of the position they hold:

- Cabinet Member for Health, Chair
- The Strategic Director of Service Development and Integration (the Director of Adult Social Services)
- The Corporate Director of Children's Services
- The Director of Public Health
- A member appointed by local Healthwatch
- Chair of the Clinical Commissioning Group

1.2 Under the current provisions of the Constitution additional members were appointed by Assembly at the establishment of the Board:

- Three other Cabinet Members (to be appointed by the Leader)
- Further Board-level GP appointment from the Clinical Commissioning Group
- Accountable Officer for the Clinical Commissioning Group
- Executive Director level appointment from Barking, Havering & Redbridge University Hospitals NHS Trust
- Executive Director level appointment from North East London Foundation NHS Trust
- Borough Commander, Metropolitan Police Service

1.3 The Health and Social Care Act 2012 provides the power to the Health and Wellbeing Board to amend its membership, allowing it to "appoint such additional persons to be members of the Board as it thinks appropriate". This is reflected in the Council's Constitution, which states that "Upon establishment, the Act provides the power to the Health and Wellbeing Board to amend its membership. Such amendments will be reported to the next meeting of the Assembly."

1.4 The constitution also sets out that "where the Council, through resolution of Assembly, seeks to amend the membership of the Health and Wellbeing Board, a discussion of the proposal will be scheduled at the Health and Wellbeing Board, with the views of the Board recorded in its minutes and reported to Assembly".

2 Changes to Health and Wellbeing Board Membership

- 2.1 The current Corporate Director of Children's Services, Helen Jenner, is due to retire in July and the statutory responsibilities attached to her post will transfer to the Strategic Director for Service Development and Integration, Anne Bristow. In terms of the Council's current seven places on the Board, therefore, this creates a vacancy.
- 2.2 The proposal is therefore being made that an additional Cabinet Member be appointed to the Board and, in line with current provisions for the appointment of Cabinet Members to the Board, this would be appointed by the Leader. This would maintain current partner representation balance as well as enhancing the democratic representation on the Board. The Leader has indicated that if the Board were to agree to the change he would nominate the Cabinet Member for Corporate Performance & Delivery (Cllr Bill Turner) as the additional Cabinet Member.
- 2.3 If the Board agrees to the change in membership, a report will be sent to Assembly on 5 October setting out the changes to the membership of the Health and Wellbeing Board from three other Cabinet Members to four other Cabinet Members (to be appointed by the Leader), which would then be reflected in the Council's Constitution.
- 2.4 In addition, following a decision by the Leader, the Cabinet Member for Equalities and Cohesion (Cllr Sade Bright) has been nominated to replace Cllr Bill Turner on the Health and Wellbeing Board. The current Cabinet Member membership of the Board is now:
- Cabinet Member for Social Care & Health Integration and Chair of the Board (Cllr Maureen Worby)
 - Cabinet Member for Equalities and Cohesion (Cllr Sade Bright, appointed by the Leader)
 - Cabinet Member for Enforcement & Community Safety (Cllr Laila Butt, appointed by the Leader)
 - Cabinet Member for Educational Attainment & School Improvement (Cllr Evelyn Carpenter, appointed by the Leader)
- 2.5 If the agreed changes are made, the Cabinet Member membership of the Board will be:
- Cabinet Member for Social Care & Health Integration and Chair of the Board (Cllr Maureen Worby)
 - Cabinet Member for Equalities and Cohesion (Cllr Sade Bright, appointed by the Leader)
 - Cabinet Member for Enforcement & Community Safety (Cllr Laila Butt, appointed by the Leader)
 - Cabinet Member for Educational Attainment & School Improvement (Cllr Evelyn Carpenter, appointed by the Leader)
 - Cabinet Member for Corporate Performance & Delivery (Cllr Bill Turner, appointed by the Leader)

3 Financial Implications

3.1 None identified

4 Legal Implications

Implications completed by: Dr Paul Field, Senior Governance Lawyer

- 4.1 As set out in the main body of this report, the core membership of the Health and Wellbeing Board is prescribed in the Health and Social Care Act 2012 (the 'Act') and under the current provisions of the Council's Constitution. As the post of Director of Children's Services will transfer to the current holder of the Director of Adult Social Services to create a multi-role of responsibility for children and adults, the proposal to widen membership in terms of an additional elected Member of the Council is a reasonable response compliant with the legislation.
- 4.2 Section 194(4) of the Act enables the Leader of the Council to make the nomination.

Background Papers Used in the Preparation of the Report:

- Council's Constitution (<http://moderngov.barking-dagenham.gov.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?CId=626&Year=0&Info=1>).