

Appendix I: Terms of Reference, Purpose and Responsibilities of the Board

GENERAL TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

- a) The Health and Wellbeing Board is a committee of the Council under S102 (1) of the Local Government Act 1972.
- b) The Council has arranged under S101 of that Act for the discharge by the Board of such functions as are set out in the terms of reference set out below.
- c) Certain functions under S196 (2) of the Health and Social Care Act 2012 may be delegated by the Board to officers. Full details may be found in the Officer's Scheme of Delegation which may be obtained from the Democratic Services Manager. Other matters falling within these Terms of Reference may be delegated to a Sub Committee of the Board.
- d) Where a function or matter within the Board's competence has been delegated to an officer or a sub-committee, the Board may exercise that function/matter concurrently with the officer to whom it has been delegated.
- e) The exercise of any function or matter within the Council's competencies always subject to any relevant requirement of the Council's Constitution including any Special Procedure and Protocol drawn up and approved by the Senior Manager: Legal, HR and Democratic Services in pursuance of Council Procedure Rule 26.2. A Special Procedure giving effect to The Local Authority (Public Health, Health and Wellbeing Boards and Health Scrutiny) Regulations 2013 has been approved in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 26.2. The Special Procedure disapplies the provisions of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 relating to the political proportionality on committees and sub-committees and providing that a person who is a member of the Board shall not be treated as a non-voting member unless the full Council directs otherwise, together with other voting and ancillary matters has been approved in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 26.2.

TERMS OF REFERENCE

1. Section 194 (2) (a) of the Health and Social Care Act 2012 requires that the minimum membership of the Health and Wellbeing Board shall be:

- At least one elected Member of Southampton City Council (to be appointed by the Leader of the Council having had due regard to the recommendations of the Health & Well Being Board)
- The Director of Public Health (DPH)
- The Director of Adult Social Services (DASS)
- The Director of Children's Services(DCS)
- A representative of Healthwatch
- A representative from NHS Commissioning Board's Wessex Area team
- A representative from NHS Southampton Clinical Commissioning Group
- Such other persons as the Council considers appropriate.

The actual membership and composition of the Board will be determined by Council and reviewed on an annual basis.

The Board shall:

2. Appoint such sub-committees, working groups or time limited groups as it considers appropriate to fulfil the Health and Wellbeing functions on behalf of the Council
3. For the purpose of advancing the health and wellbeing of the people in its area; encourage persons who arrange for the provision of any health or social care services in that area to work in an integrated manner.
4. Provide such advice, assistance or other support as it thinks appropriate for the purpose of encouraging the making of arrangements under S75 of the National Health Service Act 2006 in connection with the provision of such services.
5. Encourage persons who arrange for the provision of any health related services in its areas to work closely with the Health and Wellbeing Board.
6. Encourage persons who arrange for the provision of any health or social care services in its areas and persons who arrange for the provision of any health related services in its area to work closely together.
7. Exercise the functions of a Local Authority and its partner clinical commissioning groups under sections 116 and 116A of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007.
8. Exercise any functions that are exercisable by the Authority to promote or advance health and wellbeing not otherwise reserved to Council or the Executive.
9. Provide opinion on whether the Local Authority is discharging its duty under section 116B of the 2007 Act.
10. The functions referred to at 8 above do not apply to the functions of the Authority by virtue of Section 244 of the National Health Service Act 2006.

Purpose of the Board

The purpose of the Southampton Health and Wellbeing Board is:

- To bring together Southampton City Council and key NHS commissioners to improve the health and wellbeing of citizens, thereby helping them live their lives to the full, and to reduce health inequalities;
- To ensure that all activity across partner organisations supports positive health outcomes for local people and keeps them safe.
- To hold partner organisations to account for the oversight of related commissioning strategies and plans.
- To have oversight of the environmental factors that impact on health, and to influence the City Council, its partners and Regulators to support a healthy environment for people who live and work in Southampton

Responsibilities

The Board is responsible for developing mechanisms to undertake the duties of the Health and Wellbeing Board, in particular

- Promoting joint commissioning and integrated delivery of services;
- Acting as the lead commissioning vehicle for designated service areas;
- Ensuring an up to date JSNA and other appropriate assessments are in place
- Ensuring the development of a Health and Wellbeing Strategy for Southampton and monitoring its delivery.

- Oversight and assessment of the effectiveness of local public involvement in health, public health and care services
- Ensuring the system for partnership working is working effectively between health and care services and systems, and the work of other partnerships which contribute to health and wellbeing outcomes for local people.
- Testing the local framework for commissioning for: Health care; Social care; Public health services; and Ensuring safety in improving health and wellbeing outcomes

SOUTHAMPTON COVID-19 LOCAL OUTBREAK ENGAGEMENT BOARD (NOW PART OF HEALTH & WELLBEING BOARD)

Terms of Reference

Purpose

The Southampton Covid-19 Local Outbreak Engagement Board is responsible for strategic oversight of health protection regarding Covid-19 in Southampton, including prevention, surveillance, planning and response to ensure they meet the needs of the population.

The Board will support the local delivery of the primary objectives of the Government's strategy to control the Covid-19 reproduction number (R), reduce the spread of infection and save lives, in doing so help to return life to as normal as possible, for as many people as possible, in a way that is safe, protects our health and care systems and releases our economy.

The response will be delivered at various levels and by various partner organisations, but these will need to be brought together at local authority level through the Executive Director of Wellbeing (Health & Adults), supported by the Director of Public Health as lead officer, to ensure a community focus and appropriately tailored response. In addition to the place-based approach overseen by the Board the levels will include:

- National - a National Outbreak Control Plans Advisory Board will be established to draw on expertise from across local government and ensure the NHS Test and Trace programme builds on local capability, and to share best practice and inform future programme development;
- Regional - Co-ordination required on a regional level will be provided through the HIOW Local Resilience Forum and Integrated Care System arrangements;
- Local – Southampton COVID-19 Health Protection Board, working through Local Engagement Boards to define measures to contain outbreaks and protect health.

Membership

- Chair: Leader of the Council
- Deputy Chair: Cllr White (Chair of HWB, Cabinet Member for Health & Adult Social Care)
- Cllr P Baillie, Cabinet Member for Children's Social Care Learning

Board supported by:

- Director of Public Health, SCC

- Director – Adult Social Care, SCC
- Director – Children’s Social Care, SCC
- CCG Governing Body Chair
- Healthwatch & SVS Deputy Chief Executive
- Medical Director, University Hospitals Southampton
- Director of Meachers Transport – representative of Southampton Chamber of Commerce
- Southampton City Council Communications Lead Officer

The Board will invite representation from other organisations or roles specific to the agenda items under consideration.

Objectives

The Southampton Covid-19 Local Outbreak Engagement Board will:

- Be the public face of Southampton City Council’s response in the event of an outbreak of COVID-19
- Provide political oversight of ongoing development and delivery of the Southampton City Local Covid-19 Outbreak Control Plan, including:
- Approving recommendations from the Health Protection Board for allocation of resources to support the effective delivery of the Plan
- Lead engagement with local communities, advising on community engagement, including with vulnerable and/or higher risk communities of interest
- Approve the communications strategy for the Local Outbreak Control Plan
- Approve implementation measures (or make recommendations to other bodies where appropriate) that will prevent virus transmission.
- Monitor the response to local outbreaks and ensure learning informs future practice
- Make recommendations for the wider policy agenda including the recovery workstreams, NHS Recovery and Restoration programme and the Health and Wellbeing Strategy

Accountability

The group will be accountable to Cabinet in its Statutory role, bringing together key partners in the local health and care system.

It will also have reporting relationships to

- HIOW level governance process for functions delivered at this level
- Southampton’s Health and Wellbeing Board

Frequency of Meetings

The Board will meet as and when considered necessary by the Chairman of the Board. Meetings are open to the public.

An agenda and papers will be published at least 5 working days before the meeting. Conflicts of interest must be declared by any member of the group.

Quoracy

A quorum for meetings will be a minimum of 2 people, one of whom will be the Chair or nominated Co-Chair.

Review

Terms of Reference will be reviewed on a bi-monthly basis