

JOINT STRATEGIC COMMISSIONING BOARD

Healthy Wirral Programme Memorandum of Understanding

Risk Please indicate	High	Medium Y	Low
Detail of Risk Description	<p>Whilst good progress has been made in delivering the aims of the <i>Healthy Wirral</i> Programme, there remains significant system risk related to the financial challenge the system continues to face and the delivery of true place based care in partnership. The high level strategic risks are being established as part of the Board Assurance Framework for the <i>Healthy Wirral</i> Partners Board. This MOU will act to provide mitigation to a number of the key system risks.</p>		

Engagement taken place	Y
Public involvement taken place	N
Equality Analysis/Impact Assessment completed	N
Quality Impact Assessment	N
Strategic Themes	
To empower the people of Wirral to improve their physical, mental health and general wellbeing	Y
To reduce health inequalities across Wirral	Y
To adopt a health and wellbeing approach in the way services are both commissioned and provided	Y
To commission and contract for services that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrate improved person-centred outcomes • Are high quality and seamless for the patient • Are safe and sustainable • Are evidenced based • Demonstrate value for money 	Y
To be known as one of the leading organisations in the Country	Y
Provide systems leadership in shaping the Wirral Health and Social Care system so as to be fit for purpose both now and in five years' time.	Y

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(Committee in Common)

Meeting Date:	16 October 2018
Report Title:	<i>Healthy Wirral</i> Programme Memorandum of Understanding
Lead Officer:	Simon Banks, Chief Officer

1 INTRODUCTION / REPORT SUMMARY

- 1.1 *Healthy Wirral* is the programme that is seeking to deliver the health and care related components of the Wirral Plan. The *Healthy Wirral* vision is: “To enable all people in Wirral to live longer and healthier lives by taking simple steps of their own to improve their health and wellbeing.”
- 1.2 In order to achieve this there is an agreement by all Partners on the Wirral that the future sustainability of health & care services is entirely dependent upon commissioners and providers collaborating and developing new models of care to enable more integrated place based care. The *Healthy Wirral* Partners Board act as ambassadors of system and place based care, and have identified that the commitment, roles and responsibilities of all partners should be enshrined within a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

The Joint Strategic Commissioning Board is asked to:

- A. Review the detail provided within the MOU and its application to corporate governance.
- B. Approve the MOU and endorse organisational commitment as signatories to the MOU.

3 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 3.1 In common with all health and care systems across Cheshire and Merseyside, Wirral is expected to establish and implement its plans to achieve the best possible health and wellbeing outcomes for its population within the funding available to the system. The *Healthy Wirral* vision is “To enable all people in Wirral to live longer and healthier lives by taking simple steps of their own to improve their health and wellbeing”.
- 3.2 The *Healthy Wirral* programme is seen as the prime system-wide programme to deliver sustainable and affordable long term changes to the way that the health and wellbeing of the Wirral population is supported.

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- 3.4 The MOU sets out the terms and understanding between the key partner organisations who are committed to delivering the outcomes of *Healthy Wirral*. It sets out the intent between the partners to work together collaboratively to achieve the system ambition for long term clinical and financial stability, and to deliver improved population health.
- 3.5 The MOU summarises the overall *Healthy Wirral* programme; its constituent programme areas and the ambition to achieve transformation of health and care delivery through new models of care and organisational arrangements. For the avoidance of doubt, this ambition relates to system working and does not assume any formal organisational structural change.
- 3.6 The MOU sets out the key commitments expected from all partners and their roles and responsibilities in meeting these commitments.
- 3.7 The role of the *Healthy Wirral* Partners Board is described within the MOU and in particular its governance and oversight function. Management of system risk will be through the *Healthy Wirral* Partners Board Assurance Framework
- 3.8 It is important to note that the MOU has been developed and shaped with contribution from all system partners through the auspices of the *Healthy Wirral* Partners Board.
- 3.9 The *Healthy Wirral* programme has been fully established with whole system support and recognition that system sustainability can only be achieved if all key partners across the Wirral are committed to working in close partnership. This MOU represents a further positive step in the developing system relationships that will allow the required transformation processes to take place.

4 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 4.1 A governance framework is in place for *Healthy Wirral* and the MOU is an extension of this framework, the alternative option is not to adopt a MOU but this would not support strengthened accountability and real action to address system sustainability amongst partners.

5 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 None as a result of this report.

6 ENGAGEMENT / CONSULTATION

6.1 The MOU has been developed by the members of the *Healthy Wirral* Partners Board.

7 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

7.1 It is the aim of the *Healthy Wirral* Partners Board that the MOU would remain in place for the duration of the programme, or until any other system change superseded it. There is also provision for the mutual agreement to revise or extend the agreement beyond an initial termination date of September 2021.

7.2 The MOU is not intended to be a legally binding arrangement between the signatory parties, and therefore no legal processes would be implemented to enforce the terms of the MOU.

8 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: ICT, STAFFING AND ASSETS

8.1 None as a result of this report.

9 EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

9.1 The *Healthy Wirral* programme will give due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation, to advance equality of opportunity, and to foster good relations between people and who share a protected characteristic (as cited under the Equality Act 2010) and those who do not share it. The *Healthy Wirral* programme will also give regard to the need to reduce inequalities between patients in access to, and outcomes from health and care services and to ensure services are provided in an integrated ways where this might reduce health inequalities. The *Healthy Wirral* governance structures will require work streams to undertake Quality Impact Assessments and Equality Impact Assessments.

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APPENDICES

1. *Healthy Wirral* Programme Memorandum of Understanding
2. Summary of Capped Expenditure Lite
3. *Healthy Wirral* Governance

REFERENCE MATERIAL

This is included in the appendices.

HISTORY

Meeting	Date
<i>Healthy Wirral</i> Partners Board	23 August 2018