

WIRRAL SHADOW HEALTH & WELLBEING BOARD

Meeting Date	13 March 2013	Agenda Item	4
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Report Title	Memorandum of Understanding and revised terms of reference for approval by the Health and Wellbeing Board
Responsible Board Member	Director of Public Health

Link To Shadow HWB Function	Board development		x			
	JSNA/JHWS					
	Health and social care integrated commissioning or provision					
Equality Impact Assessment Required & Attached	Yes		No	x	N/A	
Purpose	For approval	x	To note		To assure	
Summary of Paper	<p>The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding is to ensure that the structure and governance arrangements of the Wirral Health and Wellbeing Board provide an effective and transparent framework with clarity of roles and responsibilities and that effective use is made of public resources for the benefit of local people.</p> <p>The memorandum of understanding includes a revised terms of reference and updated vision, mission and values set based on the debate at the December 2012 and January 2013 meetings of the Health and Wellbeing Board.</p>					
Financial Implications	Total financial implication		New investment required		Source of investment (e.g. name of budget)	
	£ None		£		£	
Risks and Preventive Measures	The Memorandum of understanding has been developed to provide a governance framework within which risk can be managed.					
Details of Any Public/Patient/Service User Engagement	Healthwatch and the voluntary, community and faith sector are represented on the Health and Wellbeing Board					
Recommendations/Next Steps	Board to approve the proposed memorandum of understanding and revised terms of reference with a view to adopting the documents from the 1 st April 2013.					
Report History						
Submitted to:		Date:		Summary of outcome:		
Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board		December 2012		Revision of membership of terms of reference		
Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board		January 2013		Revision to vision, mission and values set, memorandum of understanding and terms of reference		
List of Appendices						
Publish On Website	Yes	x	Private Business	Yes		
	No			No	x	

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Memorandum of Understanding and revised terms of reference

1. Background

Under the Health and Social Care Act, 2012 all upper tier and unitary local authorities in England will take on a new duty in April 2013 to take such steps as they consider appropriate for improving the health of the population of their area. An important step in exercising this duty is the establishment of a Health and Wellbeing Board as a statutory committee of the Council.

2. Purpose of memorandum of understanding

The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding is to establish the Wirral Health and Wellbeing Board arrangements for governance, integrated working, joint planning and accountabilities in order to deliver improved outcomes for the health and wellbeing of local people.

Specifically the document has been developed to provide the Board with an effective and transparent framework with clarity of roles and responsibilities and to ensure effective use is made of public resources for the benefit of local people.

3. Revised vision, mission and values

Following debate at the January 2013 board meeting the vision, mission and values set for the board have been revised to ensure they are easier to read and reflect that board members remain accountable to their own organisations for decisions made at the board.

The revised vision, mission and values set are as follows:

Vision: “To enable local people to live healthy lives, tackle health inequalities and increase wellbeing in the communities and people of Wirral”

Mission statement: “To work across professional and agency boundaries to drive innovation and make a difference to the health and wellbeing of local people by;

- agreeing priorities and actions to reduce health inequalities and promote health and wellbeing.
- developing a Health and Wellbeing Strategy
- developing a framework for the effective performance monitoring of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy
- discussing and evaluating joint performance

Values set: The following list details the values for the Health and Wellbeing Board to adopt as a framework for behaviour and decision making:

- putting local people first in everything we do, putting the needs of local people and communities before organisational boundaries
- valuing excellence and professionalism wherever it is found
- mutual trust and respect – valuing each person as an individual, taking what others have to say seriously
- being honest about our point of view and what we can and cannot do
- creative and innovative solutions to problems
- removal of barriers to equality of access and opportunity

4. Revised terms of reference

A revised terms of reference is included in the document based on the debate at the December 2012 and January 2013 meetings and to reflect the changes to the vision, mission and values set of the board.

5. Action required

The Board is asked to debate and approve the Memorandum of Understanding including the revised vision, mission and values set for the board and terms of reference with a view to adopting the framework from the 1st April 2013.

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