

## **CONSTITUTION AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

## 1 August 2024

REPORT TITLE:	MEMBERSHIP OF HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD
REPORT OF:	DIRECTOR OF LAW AND CORPORATE SERVICES

## **REPORT SUMMARY**

The report provides for consideration of the recommendations of the Health and Wellbeing Board in respect of its membership. The full minute of the Health and Wellbeing Board and associated Report of the Director of Law and Corporate Services.

One of the themes of the Council Plan 2023-2027 is to promote independence and healthier lives. By having active, effective partnerships on the Board and developing strategies in partnership to combat health inequalities and enable more effective working, the Board will contribute to that theme. Reviewing the membership can help facilitate this.

This matter relates to all Wards within the Borough and is not a key decision.

## **RECOMMENDATION/S**

The Constitution and Standards Committee is asked to consider the request from the Health and Wellbeing Board to approve that:

Council be recommended to amend the Constitution as detailed in Appendix 6 to this report.

#### SUPPORTING INFORMATION

#### 1.0 REASON/S FOR RECOMMENDATION/S

- 1.1 Health and Wellbeing Board reviewed its membership in the light of changes to organisations and job titles. Changes required the approval of the Constitution and Standards Committee and then approval of full Council before adoption.
- 1.2 Since the last review in May 2022 several job titles had changed and some organisations had ceased including the establishment of Integrated Care Boards to replace the Clinical Commissioning Group, so an update of the membership list was beneficial to ensure it remained current.
- 1.3 Two reports had been considered by the Health and Wellbeing Board, on 21 September 2023 and on 14 March 2024. The earlier report updated the working list of membership which included individual names and co-opted memberships. The later report was for amendments to the Constitution (Part 3, Section B) and incorporated the changes from the earlier version and it is this which is being recommended to Constitution and Standards Committee and Council. Both are included as appendices for information.

#### 2.0 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

2.1 Other options have been considered as noted in the appended report.

## 3.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

3.1 Background information is detailed in the appended report.

#### 4.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1 There are no direct financial implications of the decision.

#### 5.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 As detailed in the appended report, changes to the formal membership as defined in the Constitution would require endorsement by the Constitution and Standards Committee and approval by Council. The principal role of the Health and Wellbeing Board is to discharge functions pursuant to sections 195 and 196 of the Health and Social Care Act 2012.
- 5.3 As the decision in this matter is the subject of a recommendation from another Committee, the Constitution and Standards Committee must take into account the resolution of that Committee and give due regard to the guidance and comments made by its members. The Constitution and Standards Committee must not, however, consider itself bound by that Committee's recommendations or otherwise fetter its discretion; its Members must come to

their own decision. In doing so, the Committee must satisfy itself that it has been provided with all relevant information or a suitable précis to enable it to comply with its duties and make a lawful decision.

## 6.0 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: STAFFING, ICT AND ASSETS

6.1 There are no direct resource implications.

#### 7.0 RELEVANT RISKS

7.1 The risks were covered in the original report submitted to the Committee.

### 8.0 ENGAGEMENT/CONSULTATION

8.1 There was no additional consultation undertaken.

#### 9.0 EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

9.1 Wirral Council has a legal requirement to make sure its policies, and the way it carries out its work, do not discriminate against anyone. An Equality Impact Assessment is a tool to help council services identify steps they can take to ensure equality for anyone who might be affected by a particular policy, decision or activity. An Equality Impact Assessment was not required for this decision.

## 10.0 ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE IMPLICATIONS

10.1 There are no direct environment or climate implications from this decision.

## 11.0 COMMUNITY WEALTH IMPLICATIONS

11.1 There are no direct community wealth implications from this decision.

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### **APPENDICES**

Appendices 1, 2, 3 Report and appendices to Health and Wellbeing Board 21 September 2023

Appendix 4 Minute Extract from the meeting of Health and Wellbeing Board held on 21 September 2023.

Appendices 5, 6, 7 Report and appendices to Health and Wellbeing Board 14 March 2024

Appendix 8 Minute Extract from the meeting of Health and Wellbeing Board held on 14 March 2024

# **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

Constitution

# **SUBJECT HISTORY (last 3 years)**

Council Meeting	Date
Health and Wellbeing Board	16 June 2021
Health and Wellbeing Board	20 July 2023
Health and Wellbeing Board	21 September 2023
Health and Wellbeing Board	14 March 2024
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