

	Agenda Item: #	
Report to:	Birmingham Health & Wellbeing Board	
Date:	September 2016	
TITLE:	Durham University – Feedback on Health and Wellbeing Board	
Organisation	Durham University	
Presenting Officer	David Hunter, Professor of Health Policy and Management Director, Centre for Public Policy and Health, Durham University	

Report Type:	For discussion
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1. Purpose:

- 1.1 This item presents interim findings from Durham University's research on Health and Wellbeing Boards which relate to Birmingham Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) as one of six case-studies. The aim of the research is to evaluate how well HWBs in England function, and whether this helps HWBs achieve their objectives to extend democracy, support shared decision-making and promote integrated service provision to improve health and wellbeing, reduce inequalities, and achieve better quality care.
- 1.2 The study is scheduled to be completed at the end of 2016 and the research team includes expertise in local government, public health and NHS research, leadership and management theory and practice as well as public service user engagement and involvement.

2. Implications: # Please indicate Y or N as appropriate]				
BHWB Strategy Priorities	Child Health			
	Vulnerable People			
	Systems Resilience	1		
Joint Strategic Needs Assessment				
Joint Commissioning and Servi	1			
Maximising transfer of Public Health functions				



Financial	
Patient and Public Involvement	
Early Intervention	
Prevention	

3. Recommendation

3.1 It is recommended that the Board reviews the feedback

4. Background

4.1. Since April 2013, each local authority in England is required to have a Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB). These Boards bring together partners from the council and NHS, along with public representation, in an effort to ensure that local health needs drive local decision-making. There is considerable optimism about the potential for HWBs to deliver effective partnership working in order to improve health and offer better integration of health and social care. However, little evidence exists to show that similar partnerships have been effective and there is concern that power will not be redistributed in the new system, meaning that the views of local people may not be heard.

5. Compliance Issues

5.1 Strategy Implications

This report is central to the current updating of the Health and Wellbeing Board's strategy.

5.2 Governance & Delivery

Progress on how recommendations are being incorporated into strategy will be reported to the Health and Wellbeing Board at its next meeting and this will be progressed in the meantime by the Health and Wellbeing Board Operations Group.

5.3 Management Responsibility

Adrian Phillips will be the Board Member accountable for delivery and Wayne Harrison and Carol Herity will be the managers responsible for day-to-day delivery as new co-chairs of the Health and Wellbeing Board's Operations Group.



6. Risk Analysis						
Identified Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Actions to Manage Risk			
None						
Appendices						
N/A						
Signatures						
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Chair of Health & Wellbeing Board (Councillor Paulette Hamilton)						
Date:						

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