Title of Report: Health and Wellbeing Conference

Report to be considered by:

Health and Wellbeing Officers Group

Date of Meeting:

Forward Plan Ref:

Purpose of Report: To propose that the Council holds a conference in

November of this year which will bring together key partners in order to consider how the wider determinants of health can add value to the overall health and wellbeing strategy.

Recommended Action: That further work be developed on the detail of the

conference and another report be presented to the Board in

due course.

Reason for decision to be

taken:

To ensure that the delivery plans for priorities within the Health and Wellbeing Strategy include input from wider stakeholders reflecting the importance of addressing the

wider determinants of health.

Other options considered: N/A

Key background documentation:

Published Works:

The proposals contained in this report will help to achieve the following Council Strategy priority:

X CSP1 – Caring for and protecting the vulnerable

The proposals will also help achieve the following Council Strategy principle(s):

- X CSP5 Putting people first
- X CSP7 Empowering people and communities

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Implications

Policy: Financial:	N/A There will be costs associated with holding a conference relation to the hiring of an appropriate venue and any refreshements that are provided. These will be reported subsequent report.	
Personnel:	N/A	
Legal/Procurement:	N/A	
Property:	N/A	
Risk Management:		
Corporate Board's Recommendation:		
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Executive Summary and Report

1. Introduction

- 1.1 The Health and Social Care Act 2012 introduced Health and Wellbeing Boards and the requirement to publish a Health and Wellbeing Strategy. Up until that point the overarching strategic document for the district would have been the Sustainable Community Strategy (SCS).
- 1.2 The Local Strategic Partnership (which was known as the West Berkshire Partnership) was established in 2002. LSPs were created as part of the Local Government Act 2000 with the remit of placing a duty on local authorities to prepare a Sustainable Community Strategy for their area, in partnership with other stakeholders, and to create a long term vision to improve the quality of life and services in an area.
- 1.3 The first Sustainable Community Strategy for West Berkshire was published in 2002. The SCS still remains relevant to West Berkshire in terms of key issues and strategic priorities. However, there is now duplication between the new Health and Wellbeing Strategy (H&WBS) and it was agreed that the two documents should be combined to avoid any confusion and duplication.
- 1.4 As a result of this decision it was agreed to dissolve the LSP but to retain the Skills and Enterprise Partnership and the Safer Communities Partnership. Both of these partnerships were deemed to be adding value to the "wellbeing" aspects of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy.
- 1.5 The recent refresh of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy was undertaken in the main by Public Health and Wellbeing, working through the Health and Wellbeing Board. The Board approved the Strategy at the January 2015 meeting, following a public consultation exercise and was adopted by West Berkshire Council on 3 March 2015.
- 1.6 It was also agreed that priorities around some of the wider determinants of health should include input from a wider range of stakeholders and an annual conference was suggested.

2.0 Proposed Conference

- 2.1 It is proposed that the Council holds a conference in November of this year. The venue will have to be confirmed but Shaw House presents one possible option to consider.
- 2.2 Stakeholders to be invited to the conference could include:

Health and Wellbeing Board Members

Representatives from the CCG's

Representatives from Public Health England (Local and Regional)

Representatives from the voluntary and community sector (EWB to co-ordinate)

Representatives from the private sector

Members and officers of the Council

Chair and members of the Safer Communities Partnership (TVP, Probation etc) Chair and members of the Skills and Enterprise Partnership (EBP, Chamber of

Commerce etc) and former members of the LSP.

- 2.3 The Conference will then focus on a range of wider determinants such as skills and enterprise, housing, community safety and community development etc. It is hoped that this wider discussion will help align the wider determinants of health (formerly articulated in the Sustainable Communities Strategy) more closely with the overall delivery of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy.
- 2.4 The purpose of the Conference is fundamentally about engaging with a wider range of partners, the community sector and others to help with the delivery of the strategic priorities. The debate will need to focus on what are the *main barriers and challenges* to achieving better outcomes around the wider determinants for residents and directly asking those present to think about possible solutions.
- 2.5 The benefits of including a broader representation of partners at the Conference such as Sovereign Housing Association, the Royal Berkshire Fire and Rescue Service, Berkshire Youth, Empowering West Berkshire etc, will mean they can each describe their own organisations work and priorities and help find the potential for joint initiatives.
- 2.6 It is proposed that workshops be held to cover off debates on the wider determinants of health. This will help the HWBB to better understand what initiatives are already in place and how these might contribute to some of the priorities in the Health and Wellbeing Strategy. As part of these workshops the following questions could be asked:
 - (i) What is the scale of the problem (Priority)?
 - (ii) Are there specific communities affected?
 - (iii) What services are available and how much is being spent?
 - (iv) Who else can help to resolve the problem?
 - (v) How can communities help themselves?
- 2.7 This report merely proposes a format for the conference. The detailed planning will need more work and significant input from colleagues in both the Public Health and Wellbeing and Strategic Support Units.

Appendices

There are no Appendices to this report.

Consultees

Local Stakeholders: N/A

Officers Consulted: Jo Naylor, Lesley Wyman, HWB Management Group

Trade Union: N/A