

London Borough of Bromley

Decision Maker: HEALTH & WELLBEING BOARD

Date: 16th October 2014

Decision Type: Non-Urgent Non-Executive Non-Key

Title: HEALTH & WELLBEING BOARD - CO-OPTED MEMBERS SELECTION

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Ward: (All Wards);

1. Reason for report

1.1 Members are asked to confirm the arrangements for the nomination of additional Co-opted Members to the Health and Wellbeing Board for 2014 -16. This report outlines the proposed new arrangements and timescales for adopting.

2. **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

2.1 **Members of the Health and Wellbeing Board are asked to comment on the proposed framework for selecting co-opted members for 2014 – 16; and,**

2.2 **Agree that the following non-voting appointments should be made for 2014-2016:**

- i. **the independent chairman of the Bromley Safeguarding Children and Safeguarding Adults Boards (currently the same individual);**
- ii. **a non-executive member of the Bromley Clinical Commissioning Group; and**
- iii. **an NHS England representative.**

Corporate Policy

1. Policy Status: Not Applicable:
 2. BBB Priority: Excellent Council:
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Financial

1. Cost of proposal: No Cost:
 2. Ongoing costs: Not Applicable:
 3. Budget head/performance centre:
 4. Total current budget for this head: £
 5. Source of funding:
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Staff

1. Number of staff (current and additional): N/A
 2. If from existing staff resources, number of staff hours: N/A
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Legal

1. Legal Requirement: None:
 2. Call-in: Not Applicable:
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Customer Impact

1. Estimated number of users/beneficiaries (current and projected):
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Ward Councillor Views

1. Have Ward Councillors been asked for comments? Not Applicable
2. Summary of Ward Councillors comments: N/A

3. COMMENTARY

- 3.1 The HWB is a committee of Council but uniquely contains members from other statutory organisations as voting members, as well as officers (without voting rights but as statutory board members.)
- 3.2 The Board's Terms of Reference, set out in the Council Constitution, allow the appointment of additional non-voting co-opted Members. Although these Co-opted members will have no voting rights they will ensure we hear the views of other linked organisations clearly. The proposed appointments include representatives from the adults and children's safeguarding boards, and the non-executive directors of the CCG, who undertake a wider governance role than the chairman of the CCG and will allow an easier dialogue to be had with NHS England in their role as a commissioner.
- 3.4 Other partners may be considered in the future to join the HWB. In particular, some HWBs have co-opted provider groups to their Boards including the local health trust (in our Case this would be King's College, London) and provider groups (for example Bromley Health Care and/or Oxleas). However, providers would significantly change the nature of the Board and members are advised to give this further consideration at this time.
- 3.5 Co-opted Members will be selected to serve for two years, unless a new service user group is established which could also equally provide a co-opted member. If this situation arises a review will be undertaken. Co-opted members are not eligible to be paid an allowance, but reasonable travel expenses to attend committee meetings may be claimed.

4. POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 Whilst there is no statutory requirement to have co-opted members on the HWB, it is recognised that co-opted members bring their own area of interest and expertise to the work of the Board and broaden the spectrum of involvement. Co-opted members often represent the interests of key groups and co-option to the Board can ensure that their views are taken into account.

Non-Applicable Sections:	FINANCIAL, LEGAL and PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS
Background Documents: (Access via Contact Officer)	Council Constitution, Part 3