

Health and Wellbeing Board Chairman's Annual Report

Chairman: Cllr. David Jefferys
Vice-Chairman: Cllr. Robert Evans

The Health and Wellbeing Board met four times in 2018/19.

Areas of work that have been explored include the Iris Project (Identification and Referral to Improve Safety) in Bromley, a review of Winter Health and Social Care services and the development of Bromley's Homelessness Strategy. The Board continues to engage with a wide range of voluntary sector partners including receiving a presentation on the work of the Bromley Third Sector and Bromley Well.

The Board has considered a range of work related to the health and wellbeing of children and young people including health support to school-aged children, childhood obesity, the Vulnerable Adolescent Strategy and the Bromley Safeguarding Children Board's annual report. Infant mortality has been investigated by the Board following its identification as a key issue in the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment 2017, and the Board has also received a presentation on the Local CAMHS Transformation Plan 2017/18.

The Board adopted a new approach to reviewing the data and undertaking the production of the JSNA (Joint Strategic Needs Assessment) for Bromley and development of the Bromley Health and Wellbeing Strategy. This was a more embracing and inclusive approach and concentrated on identifying key cross cutting issues. The new style report has attracted considerable interest and favourable comments from the wider community and at national level.

Having identified falls as an area of concern for the Borough's older population, the Board has convened the Falls Task and Finish Group which is being chaired by Professor Cameron Swift, a world expert on falls and a member of the NICE Falls Clinical Guideline Group and Quality Standards Advisory Committee with the aim of developing a collaborative approach to falls across health and social care partners. The Board has also championed and promoted the key issue of social isolation culminating in the highly successful November 2017 Campaign to support increased social inclusion.

There has been a continued emphasis on partnership working within the Health and Wellbeing Board which has representation from a range of key partners including the Local Authority, Bromley Clinical Commissioning Group, Bromley Safeguarding Adults Board, Bromley Safeguarding Children Board and Bromley Voluntary Sector.

The Board held a very constructive discussion with members of the Bromley Youth Council which will continue this year. It also received presentations from Mytime Bromley and Nash College which identified programmes to support health and wellbeing for residents which are being rolled out across the borough.

In light of all these achievements, I would like to thank the commitment and hard work of Board Members, key partners and Local Authority Officers in continuing to support and provide challenge to this wide-ranging work programme which is key to improving the quality of health and wellbeing provision across Bromley.

**Councillor David Jefferys
Chairman, Health and Wellbeing Board**