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BRIEF SUMMARY

The Local Government Association (LGA) have offered to pilot an updated self assessment tool for Health and Wellbeing Boards in Southampton. This paper seeks the agreement of the Board to take part.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

(i) The Health and Wellbeing Board agree to invite the LGA to facilitate a session with the Board, piloting the new self assessment tool.

REASONS FOR REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS

1. To seek the Boards agreement to take part in a free facilitated session.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

None.

DETAIL (Including consultation carried out)

3. Health and wellbeing boards were established under the Health and Social Care Act 2012. The intention was that they would act as a forum for key leaders from the health and care system to work together to build strong and effective partnerships which improve the commissioning and delivery of services across NHS and local government, leading in turn to improved health and wellbeing for local people.

They have a duty to promote integrated working, produce a Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and develop a joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy.

4. The formal Southampton Health and Wellbeing Board has now been in existence for 1 year, following 1 year of the Board being run in shadow form. During this time the integration landscape has developed significantly particularly with the introduction of the Better Care Fund and the role of HWBs in taking it forward:

"Health and wellbeing boards will be the natural place for discussions between NHS England, clinical commissioning groups and councils on how the (better care) funding should be spent, as part of their wider discussions on the use of their total

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health and care resources". - NHS England Planning Guidance 2014-19

The additional focus on promoting integration means that it is now a good time for HWBBs to review progress and strengthen their system leadership role.

- 5. The Local Government Association has worked with partners including the Department of Health, NHS England and Healthwatch to develop a self assessment tool for HWBs. The tool aims to assist boards to:
 - Explore their strengths and opportunities;
 - Improve their performance;
 - Inspire their ambition to develop a clear sense of purpose and an approach which will help transform services and outcomes for local people.

It offers HWBs a tool to evaluate their position using a maturity model, describing characteristics of a 'young', 'established', 'mature' and 'exemplar' HWB against six dimensions for an effective partnership.

- 6. The tool is currently being revised to reflect the new context for HWBs with regards to integration and other major challenges. The LGA are just finalising the revised tool and they are keen to pilot it with some HWBAs. As such they have offered to facilitate a session with the Southampton HWB and a date is being explored for this to take place. A copy of the previous tool is attached at appendix 1 (please note this is not the updated version).
- 7. This would be a good opportunity to take advantage of professional expertise and knowledge of best practice to help the HWB take stock of progress and indentify areas for improvement in the context of the current integration landscape.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Capital/Revenue

None.

Property/Other

9. None

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Statutory power to undertake proposals in the report:

10. N/A

Other Legal Implications:

11. None.

POLICY FRAMEWORK IMPLICATIONS

12 N/A

KEY DECISION? No.

WARDS/COMMUNITIES AFFECTED:	All.
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SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Appendices

1	Self Assessment Tool (prior to update)
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Documents In Members' Rooms

1. None

Equality Impact Assessment

Do the implications/subject of the report require an Equality Impact	Yes/No
Assessment (EIA) to be carried out.	

Other Background Documents

Equality Impact Assessment and Other Background documents available for inspection at:

Title of Background Paper(s) Relevant Paragraph of the Access to

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1. None

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