

Health and Wellbeing Board			
Title	Emergency Services Review		
Contributors	Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Item No.	10
Class	Part 1	Date	25 March 2014

1. Summary

- 1.1 The Council's Overview and Scrutiny Committee completed a review of emergency services in Lewisham in October 2013. This report informs the Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) of the recommendations and details the implications of recommendations for the Health and Wellbeing Board work programme.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 The Health and Wellbeing Board is recommended to note the recommendations of the Emergency Services Review and agree to include a review of performance against the recommendations in the work programme.

3. Policy Context

- 3.1 The activity of the Health and Wellbeing Board is focused on delivering the strategic vision for Lewisham as established in Shaping our Future – Lewisham's Sustainable Community Strategy and in Lewisham's Health and Wellbeing Strategy.
- 3.2 The work of the Board directly contributes to Shaping our Future's priority outcome that communities in Lewisham should be Healthy, active and enjoyable - where people can actively participate in maintaining and improving their health and wellbeing.
- 3.3 The Health and Social Care Act 2012 requires the Health and Wellbeing Board to encourage persons who arrange for the provision of any health or social services in the area to work in an integrated manner, for the purpose of advancing the health and wellbeing of the area.

4. Background

- 4.1 At Council on 23 January 2013, members resolved that the Overview and Scrutiny Committee be asked to undertake an urgent investigation into emergency service provision across the borough. The review was scoped and agreed in February 2013 and evidence sessions were held at Housing, Sustainable Development, Children and Young People, Healthier Communities and Safer Stronger Communities Select Committees between May and September 2013.

5. The Emergency Review Recommendations

- 5.1 The report attached at Appendix A presents the written and verbal evidence received by Select Committees and includes the 35 recommendations agreed by Overview and Scrutiny.

5.2 A number of the recommendations, specifically those relating to prevention and partnership, are already aligned to priorities within the Health and Wellbeing Strategy and the Adult Integrated Care Programme.

5.3 Recommendation 34 states that:

“The Mayor and Cabinet, the Safer Lewisham Partnership, the Health and Wellbeing Board should regularly review performance against the recommendations made within this report, in their role as local strategic leadership bodies.”

Officers recommend that a review of performance against the recommendations is included in the HWB work programme.

6. Financial Implications

6.1 There are no financial implications arising out of this report per se; but there may financial implications arising from carrying out the action proposed by the Committee.

7. Legal Implications

7.1 The overview and scrutiny committee is responsible for the overview and scrutiny of functions in accordance with the Local Government Act 2000.

7.2 Members of the Board are reminded that under Section 195 Health and Social Care Act 2012, health and wellbeing boards are under a duty to encourage integrated working between the persons who arrange for health and social care services in the area.

8. Crime and Disorder Implications

8.1 There are no specific crime and disorder implications arising from this report.

9. Equalities Implications

9.1 There are no specific equalities implications arising from this report.

10. Environmental Implications

10.1 There are no specific environmental implications arising from this report.

11. Conclusion

11.1 The HWB has established arrangements for reviewing performance against the Health and Wellbeing Strategy and Adult Integrated Care Programme that include some of the recommendations of the Emergency Services Review. Including a review of performance against all the recommendations in the work programme will ensure a consistent approach to this activity.

Background papers

Emergency Services Review:

<http://councilmeetings.lewisham.gov.uk/documents/s25522/Emergency%20services%20review.pdf>

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