

## Terms of Reference 2016

Aligning with the Devon Health and Wellbeing Board the Terms of Reference for the Northern Devon Health and Wellbeing Delivery Board are:

### Aims

- to ensure the delivery of improved health and wellbeing outcomes for the populations of North Devon and Torridge Districts with a specific focus on reducing health inequalities
- to promote integration and a place based approach to health and wellbeing in collaboration with both district councils, NHS healthcare services, health and social care, public health and voluntary services and community assets
- to improve local democratic accountability for health and wellbeing.

### Functions

- to provide a local governance structure and accountability for the implementation of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy through the Northern Devon Locality Public Health Plan for North Devon and Torridge
- to assess the needs and assets of the local population drawing on the Devon Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) to identify commissioning priorities
- to review the annual Locality Public Health Plans for North Devon and Torridge districts and to identify priority needs, priority communities and evidence based actions that effectively meet those needs and reduce health inequalities
- to promote integration and collaboration across Northern Devon including facilitating partnerships; joined-up commissioning and pooled budget arrangements when agreed as necessary
- to advocate for the inclusion of local health and wellbeing priorities in commissioning plans and policies in Northern Devon including local place based initiatives
- to establish 'expert' task and finish Boards where additional needs analysis or guidance on the evidence of the effectiveness of interventions is required

## 3. Membership

Reflecting the strategic and operational nature of its work membership of the Northern Devon Health and Wellbeing Delivery Board has a group of strategic Core Members.

Core Members:

- District Councillors from North Devon and Torridge District Councils
- Directors from North Devon and Torridge
- NEW Devon CCG (Northern Board)
- North Devon Voluntary and Community Services
- Torridge Voluntary Services
- The Director of Public Health
- Devon County Portfolio Lead for Health and Wellbeing
- The Community Safety Partnership
- Devon County Social Care

The Delivery Board will invite members from a wider group of representatives from across the local public health system who will be invited to attend meetings when wider determinants of health, health priorities and interventions are under discussion.

Wider Members:

- local place based initiatives
- drug and alcohol services
- housing associations
- mental health services
- leisure and physical activity
- local health charities etc.

## **5. Accountability and links**

The Northern Devon Health and Wellbeing Delivery Board will report to both District Councils and annually to the Director of Public Health and the Devon Health and Wellbeing Board. It will have a range of working relationships with other local authority services and stakeholders e.g. Community Scrutiny, Employment and Skills Board and external partnerships e.g. Devon Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee, Community Safety Partnership.

## **6. Engagement**

It is recognised that the Northern Devon Health and Wellbeing Board has a strategic focus and that it needs to maintain a good level of engagement with a wider range of local stakeholders. This will be achieved by extending invitations to attend the Delivery Board and its annual programme of meetings to share and receive feedback about the progress of the annually reviewed Locality Public Health Plans.

The individual council members are the Delivery Board's link into the communities of Northern Devon. They are well placed to seek the views of the various 'constituencies' they represent and feed views into and out of the cycle of meetings the Board will hold.

## **7. Secretariat**

The Board will be supported by North Devon District Council's business support team with support from the Devon County Council Public Health Northern Locality Team. The resources and products in the Devon Health and Wellbeing website along with the Public Health Grant will be a significant contribution to the work of the Delivery Board.

## **8. Summary**

The Northern Devon Health and Wellbeing Delivery Board will aim to reduce health inequality and improve health across Northern Devon through a systematic, multi-agency and evidence based approach.