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8.	Open	16 March 2015	Health and Wellbeing Board	
Report title:		Health and wellbeing strategy – community engagement		
Wards or groups affected:		All		
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RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. The board is requested to:
 - a) Agree the draft of the community engagement report, *1,000 Lives* which together with the JSNA has informed the development of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy.
 - b) Agree to host an event for contributors to 1,000 Lives in early summer at which the document will be launched alongside the Health and Wellbeing Strategy.
 - c) Agree the proposed approach to future community engagement of the Health and Wellbeing Board.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 2. The 1,000 Lives community engagement exercise took place last year. Health and wellbeing board member organisations supported this initiative which was led by a steering group chaired by Healthwatch Southwark. Southwark Council, the CCG, NHS Trusts, Healthwatch and local groups supported by local volunteers and professionals collected stories from people across Southwark.
- 3. The stories were collected at public events, shopping centres, schools, libraries, day centres, children's centres, voluntary and community groups, churches, leisure centres, GP surgeries and clinics.
- 4. These stories reflect the diverse needs and experiences of our communities, from staying fit and active, to preventing isolation, to dealing with long term conditions, disabilities and mental illness.

KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

- 5. Common themes emerging from the stories included:
 - Isolation and bereavement associated with ageing and family breakdown.
 - The value of community support and positive relationships and the importance of personal resilience.

- The wider socio economic determinants of health featured prominently: low income, employment and housing were highlighted. Domestic violence also featured.
- Many people described living with multiple health problems including poor mental health.
- Many people had praise for public, community and voluntary sector services and health professionals who had helped them through a period of illness or supported them in their daily life.
- There was an appetite for more information on how to stay healthy and people valued, for example, health and other professionals talking to them about being active and referring them to the right activities.
- Some stories described some problems in accessing the right services.
- There were stories from people who are carers for children, partners, parents or other family members. Carers also talked about the impact of their caring responsibilities on their own wellbeing.
- 6. Together with the evidence in the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment, the stories gathered in *1000 Lives* have informed the refresh of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy.
- 7. We propose that the Health and Wellbeing Board host an early summer event, jointly organised by the Council, the CCG and Healthwatch, to be held at Cambridge House. The purpose of this event would be to thank contributors to 1,000 Lives, to launch the Health and Wellbeing Strategy and to inform ongoing policy and strategy.
- 8. The Health and Wellbeing board recognises that to be truly successful, the health and wellbeing strategy needs to be responsive to the changing environment and to engage with and be shaped by local stakeholders and Southwark people.
- 9. To facilitate this Southwark Council, the CCG, CAS and Healthwatch Southwark are sharing information on the community engagement plans of the various organisations to identify opportunities for the Board to take part in engagement events and to capture what the public and the voluntary and community sector are telling us, so that it can be fed back to the Board at regular intervals.
- 10. Healthwatch Southwark's public forum on 19th March will be the next opportunity for community engagement on the Health and Wellbeing Strategy and will be attended by Jin Lim and Rachel Flagg.

Policy implications

11. Southwark Council and the Southwark CCG have a statutory duty under the 2012 Health and Social Care Act to produce a Joint Health and Wellbeing strategy for Southwark. The Health and Wellbeing Board leads the production of the strategy. Local health and wellbeing commissioning and service plans have to pay due regard to the health and wellbeing strategy.

Community impact statement

12. There are health inequalities in Southwark: between Southwark and the rest of the country, between geographical areas within Southwark, between women and men, those on lower income, some ethnic groups and those who are vulnerable. The JSNA identifies and describes the inequalities and provides the evidence base to inform the programmes of action in the health and wellbeing strategy. The 1,000 Lives engagement exercise has informed the development of the strategy.

Legal implications

13. The Board is required to produce and publish a Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy on behalf of the local authority and clinical commissioning group. The proposals and actions outlined in this report will assist the board in fulfilling this requirement and will support the strategy's implementation.

Financial implications

14. The costs of the event proposed at paragraph 7 would be shared between the partners.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

Background papers	Held at	Contact
Southwark Joint Strategic	www.southwark.gov.uk/jsna	jsna@southwark.gov.uk
Needs Assessment		
Draft Southwark Health &	www.southwark.gov.uk	Public Health
Wellbeing Strategy 2015-20	-	020 7525 0280

APPENDICES

No.	Title	
Appendix 1	1,000 Lives - Southwark stories informing the Health & Wellbeing Strategy and Health & Wellbeing Board	

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