<b>Item No.</b> 6.	Classification: Open	Date: 31 March 2016	Meeting Name: Health and Wellbeing Board	
Report title:		Summary view of responses to the Lambeth & Southwark Early Action Commission		
Ward(s) or groups affected:		All		
From:		Strategic Director of Housing and Modernisation		

## RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. That the Board notes the responses from the Council, Community Action Southwark and the Southwark NHS Clinical Commissioning Group to the recommendations of the Lambeth & Southwark Early Action Commission and thanks the Commission for its work.
- 2. That the Board members commit to working towards a cultural shift in their organisations to deliver the ambitions of the Early Action Commission.

## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

- 3. The Southwark & Lambeth Early Action Commission responded to a commitment in the Council Plan to establish a commission to enhance the vital work of the voluntary and community sector.
- 4. In July 2014 the Southwark Health and Wellbeing Board approved the creation of an independent Early Action Commission. The broad aim of the Commission was to make a series of recommendations about how organisations such as the local council, NHS, police and voluntary sector can work together to prevent problems that damage people's lives and trigger future demand for services.
- 5. On 21 October 2015 the Health & Wellbeing Board received the final report of the Commission. The Board agreed to note the report and to prepare a response for a future meeting in 2016.

## **KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION**

- 6. The council, Community Action Southwark and Clinical Commissioning Group reports in response to the Commission's recommendations each set out an approach for moving forward with the challenges identified which are linked to the broader policy framework.
- 7. At the core of each of these is an agreement that a shift towards prevention and early action is needed. There are common themes, as well as differences in emphasis and approach that reflect the cultural and policy priorities of the different entities. There is a richness of ideas and many examples of good practice on which to build.

- 8. The three entities involved are committed to building on the momentum from the EAC. The Council Plan, the CCG Five Year Forward Plan and Community Action Southwark's response to the Early Action Report each set out specific proposals for change.
- 9. The council response, which has a strong focus on the VCS, is just one part of the vision for the future. The Council Plan sets how the council will make Southwark a fairer place by building new homes, making existing housing warm and safe, strengthening the local economy by creating new jobs and apprenticeships, improving public health and wellbeing by providing free access to swimming and gyms.
- 10. The development of a new voluntary and community sector strategy (VCS) to be co-produced by the CCG, VCS and council will have a shift to prevention and early action at its core. The council's review of commissioning will be underpinned by the same strategic objective. Through engagement with stakeholders and the broader VCS, the development of the strategy will provide an opportunity to build awareness of existing good practice and test how new approaches could be developed and coordinated.
- 11. The timeline for reporting back on these strategic developments is October 2016.

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No.	Title	
Appendix 1	Council response to the Lambeth and Southwark Early	
	Action Commission report	
Appendix 2	Community Action Southwark's response to the Lambeth and	
	Southwark Early Action Commission report	
Appendix 3	Southwark CCG's response to the Lambeth and Southwark Early	
	Action Commission report	

## **AUDIT TRAIL**

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