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| Meeting | Health and Well-Being Board |
| Date | 19 th September 2013 |
| Subject | Growth and Regeneration Programme |
| Report of | Director for Public Health |
| Summary of item and decision being sought | To provide an overview of Barnet's regeneration programme, and make proposals for how the Health and Well-Being Board should contribute to shaping it. |

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| Officer Contributors | Cath Shaw, Lead Commissioner, Enterprise & Regeneration, London Borough of Barnet |
| Reason for Report | To establish how the Board will support the regeneration programme to ensure that it contributes to Health and Well-Being outcomes. |
| Partnership flexibility being exercised | n/a. |
| Wards Affected | Initially Childs Hill, Colindale, Edgware, Golders Green, Mill Hill, Underhill and West Hendon |
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1. RECOMMENDATION

- 1.1 That the Health and Well-Being Board endorses the proposed approach to engagement in regeneration as set out in paragraphs, 10.1-10.11.

2. RELEVANT PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS AND WHERE HELD

- 2.1 None specific to this report.

3. LINK AND IMPLICATIONS FOR STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP-WIDE GOALS (SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY STRATEGY; HEALTH AND WELL-BEING STRATEGY; COMMISSIONING STRATEGIES)

- 3.1 The *Well-being in the Community* theme of the Health & Well-Being Strategy emphasises the role of the regeneration schemes in creating places that promote health and wellbeing, both by thinking through specific physical attributes (such as the design of open spaces, or the provision of health centres) and by creating pleasant enjoyable places to live. At a very basic level, improving the quality of housing is an important contributor to health and well-being. In addition, both the physical regeneration schemes and the elements of the programme focused on skills and enterprise offer opportunities to increase resident employment, which in turn promotes health and wellbeing.

4. NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 Growth and regeneration projects must comply with the requirements of the Public Sector equality duty at s149 of the Equality Act 2010 (wherein public authorities must in the exercise of their functions have due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation and any other conduct that is prohibited by or under the 2010 Act).

5. RISK MANAGEMENT

- 5.1 Establishing a dialogue between the Health and Well-Being Board and the Council regarding the growth and regeneration programme will help to ensure that health and well-being benefits from the programme are maximised. The development of this relationship does not present any risks to the Council or the Board, as identified in Section 10 of the report.

6. LEGAL POWERS AND IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 Section 12 of the Health and Social Care Act 2012 introduces section 2B to the NHS Act 2006. This imposes a target duty on the local authority to take such steps as it considers appropriate for improving the health of people in its area. The regeneration programme contributes to fulfilment of this duty by providing services or facilities designed to promote healthy living and helping individuals to minimise any risks to health arising from their accommodation or environment. In public law terms this *target* duty is owed to the population as

a whole and the local authority must act reasonably in the exercise of these functions.

- 6.2 Due regard must also be given to the general public law duty set out in s149 of the Equality Act 2010.

7. USE OF RESOURCES IMPLICATIONS- FINANCE, STAFFING, IT ETC

- 7.1 To be contained within existing regeneration programme resources as set out in the Council's agreed budget.

8. COMMUNICATION AND ENGAGEMENT WITH USERS AND STAKEHOLDERS

- 8.1 Each regeneration project has within it a specific stakeholder and resident engagement programme.

9. ENGAGEMENT AND INVOLVEMENT WITH PROVIDERS

- 9.1 The Council's "in-flight" growth and regeneration projects are all delivered by third party providers – either housing associations or private sector developers – and governed by Principal Development Agreements (PDAs) that crystallise the Council's and Developer's delivery and financial expectations in relation to the particular scheme. Any input by the HWBB into existing schemes will need to be in the context of these PDAs.
- 9.2 From 1st October 2013 the programme will be delivered on the Council's behalf by a Joint Venture Company (JVCo) established between the Council and Capita Symonds Limited. The importance of the growth and regeneration programme in supporting the *Wellbeing in the Community* theme of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy has been discussed with the JVCo senior team, who are supportive of the agenda.

10. DETAILS

- 10.1 This paper sets out how the Health and Well-Being Board might provide input into the Council's growth and regeneration (G&R) programme, both now and in the future.
- 10.2 The current Growth and Regeneration Programme comprises nine projects, more detail of which is included in Appendix A:

1. Stonegrove Spur Road
2. Colindale
3. Grahame Park
4. Mill Hill East
5. West Hendon
6. Dollis Valley
7. Granville Road
8. Brent Cross Cricklewood

9. Promoting Skills & Enterprise, including Town Centres

10.3 The impact of the Programme on health and well-being is significant and far-reaching. It is currently scheduled to deliver:

- 23,500 new homes
- 450 jobs in the next five years
- 10 new schools
- 3 new and 1 replacement health centres
- New parks and play facilities, improved access to the Welsh Harp reservoir, and enhanced walking and cycling routes

10.4 In order to maximise the benefit of the programme to local communities, the Health and Well-Being Board will have an important role to play across a number of issues, including:

- Advising on appropriate provision of high quality community infrastructure, and in particular securing commitment to primary health facilities that meet the needs of existing and new communities.
- Ensuring that opportunities for physical activity are incorporated into masterplans for new communities, for example through cycling and walking routes, parks, play areas and green gyms
- Commenting on Health Impact Assessments
- Recognising the potential contribution of regeneration schemes to local employment.

Primary Care facilities and community infrastructure

10.5 The current regeneration includes commitments to a new health centre at Mill Hill East, and to re-provision of the existing health centre at Grahame Park. There is also recognition of the need to deliver new health facilities at Colindale and Brent Cross Cricklewood, and a commitment to review health provision in the A5 corridor in light of the planned development at West Hendon.

10.6 Members of the Board can play a key role in ensuring that NHS England Commissioning arrangements and the development of plans for new communities are brought together in a timely way to ensure that developments include the facilities that communities need.

10.7 The programme also includes commitments to re-provide a number of community facilities, for example at Dollis Valley and Stonegrove Spur Road.

Physical activity

10.8 In creating new places, we have an excellent opportunity to promote physical activity through good design. In particular introducing high-quality, safe, useable parks and play areas, and walking and cycling routes, from the early stages of delivering a new community can instil good habits from the very

beginning. Members of the Board will have important expertise to add to the development of masterplans, particularly for the latter stages of development Colindale and Grahame Park, and in implementing the major new development at Brent Cross Cricklewood.

Health Impact Assessments

- 10.9 Health Impact Assessments are generally undertaken for large scale development proposals providing an analysis of the impact of schemes on health and wellbeing. Most recently an assessment was undertaken for the West Hendon regeneration project¹.
- 10.10 Members of the Health and Well-Being Board will be invited to comment on future Health Impact Assessments.

Employment and Skills

- 10.11 The link between work and well-being is well established, and recognised in the *Well-Being in the Community* Theme of the Health and Well-Being Strategy. The Council and partners have undertaken a number of initiatives to promote employment, both through ensuring that physical regeneration schemes offer construction and longer term opportunities, and through its Skills, Employment and Enterprise Action Plan.
- 10.12 A particular focus for employment and skills work has been on 16-18 year olds not in education, employment or training (NEETs) and on unemployment among 18-24 year olds. Although it is difficult to separate the effects of specific initiatives from wider economic trends, it is important to note that youth unemployment in Barnet is back down to pre-recession levels.
- 10.13 In response to Welfare Reform, the Council and its partners (notably Job Centre Plus, Barnet Homes, Housing Associations and Barnet and Southgate College) have set up a Steering Group which aims to understand and manage the impacts of changes to the welfare system, including by ensuring that residents have the support they need to access work. The lessons learned from this work will be used to inform our approach to tackling worklessness in Barnet, and as part of a wider partnership of West London authorities.

11 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 11.1 None.

Legal – LC
CFO – JH

¹ A copy can be found at www.west-hendon.co.uk. The assessment forms chapter 13 (pp 470-547) of Volume 1 of the Environmental Statement.