

## MUNICIPAL YEAR 2017/18

Meeting Title:  
**HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD**  
Date: 10<sup>th</sup> October 2017

**Agenda Item:**  
**Subject: Domestic Violence – Links  
with the Safer Stronger  
Communities Board**

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### 1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) has previously selected key areas for focus including collaborating with the **Safer Stronger Communities Board** (SSCB) on work to tackle Domestic Violence. A workshop session was held September 2017 which produced a set of actions whereby the HWB could support the delivery of the SSCB's work to tackle domestic abuse in Enfield.

### 2. RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Health & Wellbeing Board support:

- The SSCB to audit Enfield's progress towards implementing the NICE guidelines on domestic abuse.
- Dissemination of information on services for victims of domestic abuse in Enfield and prevention campaigns
- The wider use of routine enquiry in health and care services
- The use of DV specialist workers in A&E
- A joint commissioning approach where it makes sense to do
- Work towards more data sharing and analysis
- A proposal to the JSNA steering group to include further work on this topic

### 3. BACKGROUND

3.1 At Health and Wellbeing Board meeting held on the 19<sup>th</sup> April 2017, HWB agreed on the priority areas it wishes to focus on the final two years of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2014-2019. This included a collaboration priority around working with the Safer Stronger Communities Board on tackling domestic abuse in Enfield.

### 4. REPORT

4.1 In September 2017 a workshop for HWB members received a presentation from SSCB members on domestic abuse in Enfield. The slide deck is included as Appendix A.

4.2 Board Members discussed where the opportunities lay to add value to the work of the SSCB and identified the opportunities listed at 5.1.

## **5. RECOMMENDATIONS**

5.1 The HWB is now formally requested to support the following actions:

- An audit of Enfield's progress towards implementing the NICE guidelines on Domestic violence and abuse: multi-agency working<sup>1</sup>.
- To use their systems and networks to disseminate information on; services for victims of domestic abuse in Enfield; and prevention campaign materials
- The wider use of routine enquiry as a tool across health and care services to identify victims to enable them to receive help and support.
- The use of specialist workers including IDVAs in A&E departments
- A joint commissioning approach where it makes sense to do
- To work towards improving data sharing and analysis across the Enfield system of public services.
- A proposal to the JSNA steering group to include further work on this topic.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.nice.org.uk/Guidance/PH50>