

Democratic requirement to hold an election for Voluntary Sector representation to the Health & Wellbeing Board, to be held in 2018 – 2019.

Introduction

The Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) is a statutory body where the key leaders from the health, care and other partners can work together to improve the health and wellbeing of the local population and reduce health inequalities.

Representation from the voluntary sector

The current Terms of Reference include provision for the election of a representative from the Third Sector for a term of office of 3 years. The current representatives have been on the Board since 2013.

The revised terms of reference state that there will be one representative from Enfield Voluntary Action (EVA) and another elected representative.

There is therefore a need to hold a formal, open, transparent and democratic election to secure voluntary sector representation in order to assist the HWB in fulfilling its health leadership role for the borough.

Democratic Services have confirmed that the current voluntary sector representatives will remain in place until new voluntary sector representatives have been elected (or re-elected).

Proposal

In order to achieve the above it is anticipated that engagement with the VCS will start immediately with a view to holding elections in September with the result reported to the HWB on 27th September 2018.