WHAT IS THE BOARD?

The Daventry District Health and Wellbeing Partnership Board was established in 2013 with the focus of enabling local partners from public, private and voluntary sectors to work together to improve the health and wellbeing of local people.

Through the development and implementation of a local, multi-partner action plan, the board will respond to existing and future community health and wellbeing issues.

It is the local element of the Northamptonshire Health and Wellbeing Board, feeding in perspectives to inform and influence the delivery of integrated, efficient and cost effective services for the local population of Daventry district.

The board supports the development and delivery of the Daventry District Community Strategy and the countywide Health and Wellbeing Strategy.

It is a sub-group of the Daventry district Local Strategic Partnership (LSP).

WHY IS IT NEEDED?

Health and wellbeing has particular relevance in Northamptonshire where there are stark inequalities in health with wide-ranging adverse effects.

For example, men in the county’s wealthiest areas can expect to live more than nine years longer than those in the poorest areas.

Poor health and wellbeing is associated with rising need for housing support, welfare benefits and social care as well as low attainment at school and low work productivity.

Local organisations have a unique understanding of individual neighbourhoods and communities and are well placed to ensure local people exert a stronger influence over how their health and wellbeing needs are met.

Within this context the role of the Daventry District Health and Wellbeing Partnership Board is paramount in ensuring a joined up approach to tackling these issues.

KEY OBJECTIVES

- Provide local leadership on health and wellbeing issues
- Review evidence on local health needs and determine issues that need addressing
- Monitor and support the implementation of the local health and wellbeing action plan
- Influence the commissioning process for the local area
- Support the development and delivery of the countywide Health and Wellbeing Strategy
- Act as a forum for partners to raise issues, maximise opportunities for information sharing, joint working and integration of services all aimed at improving health and wellbeing
FOCUS

The Northamptonshire Health and Wellbeing Strategy identified eight strategic outcomes based on a consultation exercise run by Northamptonshire County Council.

To achieve maximum impact the Daventry and District Health and Wellbeing Partnership Board focuses on three of these.

1. Every child is safe and has the best start in life
   - Education and reading programmes - Northamptonshire Libraries and Northampton College
   - Immunisation programmes and health advice - Northamptonshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust
   - A joined up, multi-agency approach to child protection involving key member organisations - Daventry & District Housing, Bromford Support and Daventry District Council
   - Hardship funds and repair schemes - Daventry & District Housing
   - Healthy eating and sport initiatives - Everyone Active

2. People choose healthier lifestyles and have greater control over their health and wellbeing
   - Health walks - Everyone Active
   - Providing practical support and information - Citizens Advice Daventry & District
   - Ensuring referral to support organisations on issues like drugs and alcohol - Daventry & District Housing and Bromford Support
   - Addressing transport issues to allow people to attend health appointments - Daventry & District Housing and Bromford Support
   - Community events aimed at increasing physical activity - Daventry District Council and Daventry Volunteer Centre

3. Vulnerable adults and elderly people are safe and able to use services and support that helps them to live as independently as possible
   - Home maintenance projects using volunteers to help people stay in their homes - Daventry Volunteer Centre
   - Falls Prevention Campaign – A series of roadshows co-ordinated by Daventry District Council with the support of a range of health and wellbeing partners
   - Rehabilitation centre providing one-to-one support and advice on exercise and healthy eating – Reach for Health
   - Community transport scheme to help reduce rural isolation – Daventry Area Community Transport (DACT)
   - Lifeline pendant service to ensure vulnerable residents are safe – Daventry & District Housing.
The Board includes a core group of organisations that have a key role and responsibility to improve health and wellbeing in the local area. Membership will be reviewed continuously and individuals can be co-opted for specific issues.

CURRENT MEMBER ORGANISATIONS:
- Bromford Living
- Bromford Support
- Citizens Advice
- Daventry & District Community Safety Partnership
- Daventry District Council
- Daventry Volunteer Centre
- Daventry & District Housing
- Daventry & District Over Fifties Forum
- Everyone Active (Daventry Leisure Centre)
- HealthWatch
- Nene Clinical Commissioning Group (Daventry Locality)
- Northamptonshire ACRE
- Northampton College
- Northamptonshire County Council
- Northamptonshire Fire & Rescue Service
- Northamptonshire Police
- Reach for Health
- Rural Enterprises

“The Daventry District Health and Wellbeing Partnership Board is about recognising the need for a local focus to address health and wellbeing issues.

Given their place at the heart of the community, local organisations are best placed to achieve this.

Activity throughout 2013/14 has highlighted a commitment and joined-up focus to achieve the outcomes identified by all member organisations.

Feeding into the countywide Health and Wellbeing Strategy, the Daventry District Health and Wellbeing Partnership Board will continue to strive to improve the quality of life of Daventry district residents.”

Ciara McMillan, Chair of Daventry District Health and Wellbeing Board

Should you wish to find out more about the LSP please visit the website www.daventrydc.gov.uk/lsp or contact the Local Strategy Team on (01327) 871100.

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