

<b>TITLE</b>	<b>Health and Wellbeing Board Sub-Committees</b>
<b>FOR CONSIDERATION BY</b>	Health and Wellbeing Board on 12 February 2015
<b>WARD</b>	None Specific
<b>DIRECTOR</b>	Andrew Moulton, Head of Governance and Improvement Services

#### **OUTCOME / BENEFITS TO THE COMMUNITY**

The Health and Wellbeing Board's terms of reference reflects its ability to establish formal sub committees to discharge those of its functions it considers appropriate.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Health and Wellbeing Board recommends the following amendment to its terms of reference set out in the Council's Constitution, to Council, via the Constitution Review Working Group;

##### **"4.4.47 Health and Wellbeing Board Sub-Committees**

The Health and Wellbeing Board has the ability to establish sub-committees and delegate functions to them. The Health and Wellbeing Board will agree the terms of reference and membership of any such sub-committee."

#### **SUMMARY OF REPORT**

Under the Local Authority (Public Health, Health and Wellbeing Boards and Health Scrutiny) Regulations 2013, the Health and Wellbeing Board may establish formal sub committees to discharge those of its functions it considers appropriate.

It is proposed that the Health and Wellbeing Board's terms of reference set out in the Council's Constitution be updated to reflect this.

## Background

Wokingham Borough Council appointed Grimes Ltd. in January 2014 to carry out a needs assessment for primary healthcare requirements in the Borough's Strategic Development Locations at Arborfield Garrison, South of M4, Wokingham North and Wokingham South. A recommendation of the final report was that "*The Wokingham Health and Wellbeing Board forms a sub-committee, which includes co-opted external members as necessary, to act as a Programme Board to manage the healthcare delivery programme up to 2026.*"

Regulation 3 of the Local Authority (Public Health, Health and Wellbeing Boards and Health Scrutiny) Regulations 2013 enables the Health and Wellbeing Board to establish formal sub committees to discharge those functions it considers appropriate and make decisions, unless the Council otherwise directs. The Health and Wellbeing Board may arrange the discharge of its functions by an officer of the authority unless the Council otherwise directs. Sub Committees may also arrange for the discharge of its functions by an officer of the authority.

Formal sub committees are subject to the same provisions around openness and transparency that the Health and Wellbeing Board is subject to.

Regulation 6 enables all members of the Health and Wellbeing Board or its sub committees to vote unless the Council decides to implement restrictions on voting rights for some Board members.

### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS OF THE RECOMMENDATION

***The Council faces severe financial challenges over the coming years as a result of the austerity measures implemented by the Government and subsequent reductions to public sector funding. It is estimated that Wokingham Borough Council will be required to make budget reductions in excess of £20m over the next three years and all Executive decisions should be made in this context.***

	How much will it Cost/ (Save)	Is there sufficient funding – if not quantify the Shortfall	Revenue or Capital?
Current Financial Year (Year 1)	N/A	N/A	N/A
Next Financial Year (Year 2)	N/A	N/A	N/A
Following Financial Year (Year 3)	N/A	N/A	N/A

#### Other financial information relevant to the Recommendation/Decision

N/A

#### Cross-Council Implications

N/A

#### Reasons for considering the report in Part 2

N/A

#### List of Background Papers

N/A

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