

# North Tyneside Health & Wellbeing Board Report Date: 14 February 2017

## ITEM 9

Title: Appointment of  
Member to the Board

**Report from :** Law & Governance, North Tyneside Council

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### 1. Purpose:

This report invites the Board to consider the appointment of the Chair of the North Tyneside Safeguarding Children Board as a Member of the Board.

### 2. Recommendation(s):

The Board is recommended to appoint the Chair of the North Tyneside Safeguarding Children Board as a member of the Board.

### 3. Policy Framework

This item relates to the operation of the Board and so there are no direct links with delivery of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2013-18.

### 4. Information:

- 4.1 In accordance with the Health and Social Care Act the membership of the Health and Wellbeing Board must comprise of certain prescribed individuals and such additional persons as the Board or the Council think appropriate.
- 4.2 Up until November 2016 Pat Robinson had served on the Board in her capacity as Chair of the North Tyneside Safeguarding Adults Board.
- 4.3 The Board's joint working protocols acknowledge the role of the Safeguarding Adults Board and the Safeguarding Children Board and its relationship with them. It states that as the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy becomes a key commissioning strategy for the delivery of services to children and adults across North Tyneside, it is critical that in drawing up, delivering and evaluating the strategy there is effective interchange between the Health and Wellbeing Board and the two Safeguarding Boards. Consequently the Board adopted a separate protocol to describe the formal interfaces between the Health and Wellbeing Board and the Safeguarding Boards.
- 4.4 In order to maintain representation from the safeguarding boards it is proposed that the Chair of the North Tyneside Safeguarding Children Board, Mr Richard Burrows, be appointed as a member of the Board.

4.4 The Board currently comprises 21 members. This appointment will increase the membership to 22 members. A survey of Health & Wellbeing Boards in the North East region revealed the largest Board has 27 members and the smallest 14. The average is 19.

**5. Decision options:**

The Board may decide to either:-

- a) not to appoint any further additional persons to the Board; or
- b) appoint a the Chair of the North Tyneside Safeguarding Children Board to the Board.

**6. Reasons for recommended option:**

The Board is recommended to agree option b) to secure appropriate representation on the Board.

**7. Appendices:**

None.

**8. Contact officers:**

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**9. Background information:**

The following background papers/information have been used in the compilation of this report and are available at the office of the author:

- (1) Health and Social Care Act 2012
- (2) The Local Authority (Public Health, Health and Wellbeing Boards and Health Scrutiny) Regulations 2013
- (3) Minutes of the Board November 2016.

**COMPLIANCE WITH PRINCIPLES OF DECISION MAKING**

**9 Finance and other resources**

The costs associated with the operation of the Board will be contained within existing budgets.

**10 Legal**

Section 194 of the Health and Social Care Act 2012 states that a local authority must appoint specified persons to a Health and Wellbeing Board and that the Board may appoint such other persons as it thinks is appropriate.

**11 Consultation/community engagement**

Consultation has been undertaken with the Chair of the North Tyneside Safeguarding Children Board.

**12 Human rights**

There are no Human Rights implications arising from this report.

**13 Equalities and diversity**

An equalities impact assessment has been undertaken in respect to the establishment and operation of the Board.

**14 Risk management**

A risk assessment has not been undertaken in connection to this matter.

**15 Crime and disorder**

There are no crime and disorder implications directly arising from this report.

**16 Environment and sustainability**

There are no environment and sustainability issues arising from this report.

**SIGN OFF**

Director of Public Health

Chair/Deputy Chair of the Board

Chief Finance Officer

Head of Law & Governance