
SPELTHORNE HEALTH AND WELLBEING GROUP

Chairman: Cllr Maureen Attewell and Deborah Ashman

Membership, Terms of Reference and Operating Arrangements

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1. PURPOSE

The purpose of the group is to improve the Health and Wellbeing in Spelthorne. The group will discuss and determine the Health & Wellbeing priorities for Spelthorne with targets and performance reviews outlined in the Spelthorne Health & Wellbeing Strategy. The group will raise awareness and communicate Health & Wellbeing information in Spelthorne and will provide an annual report to the joint committee of Spelthorne Borough Council and Surrey County Council.

2. MEMBERSHIP

We will invite representatives from the following organisations:

- (a) Spelthorne Borough Council including the Portfolio Holder and Group Head for Community Wellbeing, and representatives from relevant Council departments
- (b) Surrey County Council representatives including Adult Social Care and Children's Services. A SCC councillor who is appointed by Joint Committee at the start of each municipal year.
- (c) Voluntary organisations such as Voluntary Support North Surrey, Action for Carers and Catalyst
- (d) A representative from North West Surrey Clinical Commissioning Group
- (e) A representative from one of the third sector community care borough wide forums or groups (for, children with disabilities, older people and adults with physical and sensory disabilities—Appendix 1) or a suitable representative from the community.
- (f) Other members from relevant organisations will be invited where appropriate and dependant on topical projects. These may include Surrey and Borders Partnership NHS Foundation Trust, or Ashford & St Peter's Hospital's NHS Trust

Members commit to attending meetings or to ensure that they send a representative at an appropriate level if they are unable to attend a meeting.

3. TERMS OF REFERENCE

The responsibilities of the Health and Wellbeing Group are:

- (a) To oversee progress towards the Spelthorne priorities as outlined in the Spelthorne Health & Wellbeing Strategy and to identify any new priorities that should be addressed. The group will provide an annual report to the Spelthorne Joint Committee.
- (b) To develop an action plan for the Health and Wellbeing Strategy outlining clear targets; to be monitored quarterly and reviewed annually. Produce criteria to enable performance as red/amber/green.
- (c) To consider any issues raised by members of the group or the wider community and to determine what needs to be done to resolve these issues.
- (d) To provide an opportunity for the sharing of relevant information between agencies.
- (e) To link to other local, partnership groups as appropriate (These responsibilities are underpinned by a statement of principles on equalities (shown in Appendix 2) to ensure that the work of the group pays due regard to issues of discrimination, equality of opportunity and the promotion of good relations between people from different backgrounds.

4. OPERATING PROCEDURES

(a) Support

Administrative support will be carried out by Spelthorne Borough Council.

(b) Chairman

The Chairman will be the Spelthorne Borough Council Group Head for Community Wellbeing in conjunction with the portfolio holder for Community Wellbeing. The Chairman will be responsible for reporting to the Spelthorne Joint Committee.

The Chairman will be supported by a Vice-Chairman and Co-ordinator. Together they will be responsible for the operation of the theme group, its delivery of the action plan and reporting on progress to the Spelthorne Joint Committee.

(c) Frequency of meetings

The Health and Wellbeing Group shall meet at least quarterly.

(d) Reporting to the community

The Group will feed back to its partners on its activities and to the community through this group as well as ad hoc communications such as press releases issued by partner organisations.

(e) Decision making

The Group will seek to operate by consensus.

5. LIFETIME OF THE GROUP

The Group is not time limited and will seek to evolve according to the needs of the community and partner organisations.

APPENDIX 1

Roles of Forums and Groups in Spelthorne Health & Wellbeing Group

1. To identify the unmet need of local people for health and wellbeing.
2. To assess the effectiveness of existing services in meeting local need and make proposals for improvements or variation in service delivery.
3. To identify gaps and unmet needs in services, and to ensure that development proposals and recommendations are made to Spelthorne Health and Wellbeing Group.
4. To receive relevant consultation documents, commenting back to relevant organisations and to the Spelthorne Health and Wellbeing Group, as appropriate.
5. To provide a focal point for multi-agency debate with users and carers on health and wellbeing, with a view to improving communications, information sharing, evaluation, identifying best practice, service development and funding issues.
6. To actively engage in a range of methods of consultation with users and carers working, where possible, toward their full participation in Forums, and the appointment of service users as Forum Chairmen.
7. To take part in any sub-groups or task focused groups as necessary.
8. To encourage full membership of all sections of the community, as set out in the Equality Act 2010. All members are given equal status and access.
9. To ensure essential representation by the Chairman or nominated representative at Spelthorne Health and Wellbeing Group where appropriate.
10. To receive feedback from and report to Spelthorne Health and Wellbeing Group via the Chairman or nominated representative.
11. To review Terms of Reference when necessary.

APPENDIX 2
SPELTHORNE HEALTH AND WELLBEING GROUP
EQUALITIES STATEMENT

Spelthorne Health and Wellbeing Group will work together to ensure that any decisions or actions it takes have due regard to age, gender, ethnicity, disability, sexual orientation, religious belief and that no one is discriminated against unlawfully or unfairly.

Spelthorne Health and Wellbeing Group is committed to:

- Promoting equality of opportunity for all, and recognising and valuing the diversity of the Spelthorne community.
- Promoting good relations between people from different backgrounds through its work.
- Listening to and understanding the needs of all people in Spelthorne.

This commitment builds on that of each individual partner organisation and their responsibilities under the relevant equalities legislation for promoting equality of opportunity in policy development, service provision, training and employment. Members will continue to assess Spelthorne Borough Council policies and functions according to their own procedures and, where concerns arise, will raise these with the rest of the Group.

Through this commitment, the Group aims to encourage diverse and equal representation of all communities in Spelthorne. Within the Group, it is the responsibility of each individual member to respect and value differences between themselves and other members.