



STAFFORDSHIRE HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

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Letter by email

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Dear Alison

Date: 31 January 2019

Thank you for your correspondence dated 7 January.

In regard to CCG engagement with the Health and Wellbeing Board we would make the following Observations:

1. The Board is co-chaired by a senior elected member of the County Council and a Chair of a CCG, this has been that case since the Board was set up. Previously this was Dr Charles Pidsley, and more recently Dr Alison Bradley.
2. The Board reviews commissioning plans annually and the CCGs present their plans to the whole Board.
3. The Board has recently developed a new strategy which has, as its focus, the ambition to increasing healthy life expectancy, CCG representative on the Board contributed to the development of this document. This is relatively new, and we have yet to agree delivery plans. We will be keen to discuss how CCGs can contribute to delivery of the strategy moving forward
4. Over the past year the CCGs have been focused on internal Management of Change issues, which has reduced input at the Board. We would anticipate that this will change in the coming year.
5. Whilst there are 5 CCGs, they now act as one body and contribution to the Board tends to reflect this arrangement

I would finally note that NHS England has a standing invite to the Health and Wellbeing Board and is welcome to attend and participate as needed.

Yours sincerely

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Co-Chair Staffordshire HWB

Signed for and behalf of
Dr Alison Bradley
Co-Chair of Staffordshire HWB