

COUNCIL

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APPOINTMENT TO THE HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD NHS PROVIDER FORUM

Report of the Executive Director of Commercial and Corporate Services

1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to consider an appointment to the NHS Provider Forum, a new group which has been established by the Sunderland Health and Wellbeing Board.

2.0 NHS Provider Forum

- 2.1 The Health and Wellbeing Board at its meeting on 24 May 2013 considered a report which explored the role and function of the advisory groups to the Board. Two existing partnership groups – the Adults Partnership Board and the Children’s Trust – had taken on the formal function of advisory groups to the Health and Wellbeing Board. The Board has resolved to establish a Provider Forum as a third advisory group to ensure that decisions made by the Health and Wellbeing Board are influenced by a range of stakeholders who provide health and social care services in Sunderland. The Forum will also receive items from the Health and Wellbeing Board to investigate and will recommend action back to the Board.
- 2.2 The initial membership of the Provider Forum would consist of representatives from City Hospitals Sunderland, South Tyneside Foundation Trust, Northumberland Tyne and Wear Mental Health Trust, the Ambulance Trust, the City Council and GPs. In line with the existing advisory groups, the Health and Wellbeing Board have requested that the Council appoint a Member to the Provider Forum and the Council is therefore asked to consider appointing Councillor Mel Speding to the NHS Provider Forum.

3.0 Recommendations

- 3.1 The Council is accordingly recommended to appoint Councillor Speding to the NHS Provider Forum.

