

Southwark Borough Based Board meeting

Questions received from the public with responses from the CCG

MEETING DATE: 4 November 2021

This set of questions was received prior to the meeting taking place, with the response document then published on the CCG's website and also emailed to those who submitted the questions. Where a question was raised on behalf of a group the person's name is listed below; where the person did so as an individual then their name has not been published.

Question 1

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Can the board provide any update or advice to Southwark-based VCSE organisations, but potentially those who span multiple boroughs, on how they can best contribute to both borough and ICS-wide VCSE groups, the latter which will see ICS-wide Alliance groups formed/finalised by April 2022? If the board can share information on how they believe borough-level and ICS-level projects will work together in terms of VCSE involvement that would be great.

Response

The SEL CCG team leading on SEL ICS development has had regular monthly meetings with borough based VCSE umbrella bodies since August 2021. At the October meeting it was decided to set up a broader group of VCSE organisations to engage them on how best to involve the sector in ICS-wide governance and leadership. Borough VCSE groups are currently mapping organisations to invite to be part of this group. It was also decided to host an online webinar for the wider VCSE in south east London in the new year to explain what the ICS is and have further conversations about how the sector want to engage with the ICS.

To note, the current nationally set milestone for this that SEL ICS are working to are that we should have agreed the principles and mechanisms by which we will embed and engage the VCSE sector in system-level governance and decision making by April 2022, not that these groups will be established/formed by this date.

Community Southwark are a constituent partner within Partnership Southwark and represent the VCSE on the Partnership Southwark Leadership Forum. Within each of our population-based workstreams we have representation from the VCSE at both a leadership-level and in delivery of transformation projects. We engage with the VCSE through Community Southwark's membership channels and provider-led groups. Community Southwark have also convened a Social Prescribing network to bring VCSE organisations together in order to share best practice, learn from each other and represent them. Further information is available under <https://www.communitysouthwark.org/Listing/Category/vcs-social-prescribing>

There will be some projects within the scope of local care partnerships and the integrated care system where a cross-borough approach is beneficial and these will be coordinated in such a way to maximise the input of stakeholders from across the system; recognising other partners also span multiple-boroughs as well. Other projects will be more specific to place and therefore coordinated at a local care partnership level.