

PUBLIC HEALTH, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & EQUALITY COMMITTEE UPDATE	
Date of meeting	13 th September 2018
Attendees	Cllr Waseem Zaffar , Mr Richard Samuda, Mrs Raffaella Goodby, Professor David Carruthers, Mrs Ruth Wilkin, Mr Paula Hooton, Mrs Chris Rickards and Ms Sue Bullock
Apologies	Professor Kate Thomas, Mr Tony Lewis, and Mrs Paula Gardner
Key points of discussion relevant to the Board	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Smoke free sites by 5th July 2019 • Mental Health Tender and implementation • WRES data 2018
Positive highlights of note	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pet Therapy working very well. Trust hoping to raise money through charity events to support this further and also to provide a Paro Seal Robot to help patients suffering from dementia. • WeMind was introduced on 1st September which is our new mental health support programme for staff. • Employer with Heart Charter has now been signed which means new parents with premature babies will be paid until Maternity Leave would normally have begun if the babies were born around their due date.
Matters of concern or key risks to escalate to the Board	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WRES statistics from staff annual survey showing disturbing levels of harassment/bullying. Although our statistics fell around average of other Trusts it is recognised that this did not mean we weren't acting on the findings.
Matters presented for information or noting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fruit and veg stall now available at Sandwell and City site, operating 7 days a week across the sites providing cheap fruit and vegetables for staff and patients. • Smoke-free taskforce to be set up to look at the planning, implementation and sustainability of the smoke-free sites from July 2019.
Decisions made	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None.

Mr R Samuda on behalf of Prof K Thomas

Chair of the Public Health Committee

For the meeting of the Trust Board scheduled for 4th October 2018