



## MEMBER INVOLVEMENT

### WRITTEN QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

The following written questions have been received for the Health & Wellbeing Board meeting to be held on the 14 November 2017:

#### 1. Question from Graham Bartlett

Universal Credit is set to be rolled out across the city shortly. As Chair of the Safeguarding Adults Board I am particularly concerned about those adults with care and support needs who may need additional help to deal with these changes. The Safeguarding Board were briefed and whilst there is some assurance that adults with care and support needs will be helped during this time, there remain concerns about the changes and potential safeguarding risks arising from this. We are committed to sharing our concerns with the Health and Wellbeing Board and ask if the Board feel that the city is ready to deal with these changes, especially for the most vulnerable.

#### 2. Question from David Liley

Doctors of the World have recently produced a briefing which in summary states:

*'The Government has made new regulations extending NHS charges to community healthcare services and placing a legal requirement for all hospital departments and all community health services to check every patient's paperwork, and charge upfront for healthcare, refusing non-urgent care where a patient cannot pay. Healthcare charges may be introduced for services provided by all community health organisations in England except GP surgeries. Organisations receiving NHS funding will also be legally required to make similar checks and possibly charge for services. A wide range of health services could be affected.'*

Can the HWB give some clarity on which services locally will now be under these regulations and how these issues will impact on local residents?

