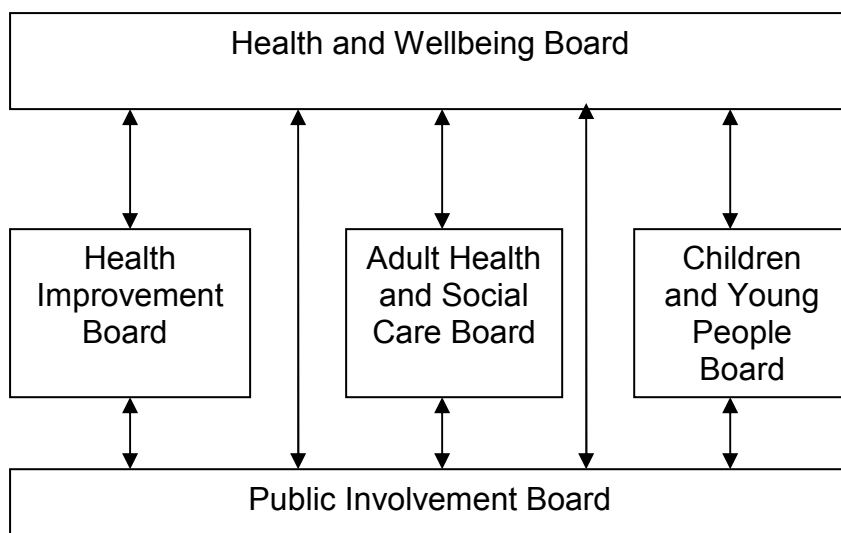


**Health and Wellbeing Board, 24<sup>th</sup> November 2011**  
**General principles for work of the Health and Wellbeing Board**

1. The Health and Wellbeing Board will be supported by four other Boards. Three of them will focus on the issues of Health Improvement, Children and Adults. A fourth will ensure that there is effective public involvement in addressing the health and wellbeing of the population of Oxfordshire. Paper **HB9** on your agenda explains what is happening to create the Public Involvement Board. The overall structure is set out below:



2. Health and Wellbeing Board members need to consider the proposed role for each of the other three Boards shown in the diagram above, and their proposed priorities. These proposals are set out in papers **HB 8a, b and c**. Members of the Health and Well Being Board are asked to give their reactions to those proposals which will then be considered at the first meeting of the relevant Boards. More detailed final proposals will then be brought for agreement at the next meeting of your Board.
3. You are asked to agree some key principles which should govern the way that the Boards operate as follows.
  - a. In terms of style of working, it is important to stress that the purpose of the Boards is to take an authoritative overview, to set priorities and to take action when plans go awry. It is not the purpose of the Board to add another layer of bureaucracy or to duplicate the work of existing groups.
  - b. The focus of the Boards should be on those areas where joint working will have the most impact.
  - c. We anticipate that some cross-cutting issues will need to be addressed by the Health and Wellbeing Board. Examples include the quality of transition as individuals progress from being a young person to becoming an adult, safeguarding, quality issues more generally (including concerns about a significant provider who serves the population as a whole) and key infrastructure issues notably housing.

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