

## **Statement of Purpose**

Healthwatch Central Bedfordshire Board of Directors

**To enable local people to have their views, ideas and concerns represented as part of the commissioning, delivery, design and scrutiny of health and social care services.**

In order to achieve this, the Board, its Chair and Directors, will undertake to provide a coherent, practical and cost effective framework.

Within this framework both paid staff and volunteers will be supported to gather and collate the information required.

The Board will not use or allow their personal experiences to be promoted over and above the experiences of the rest of the resident population.

The Board will ensure that the organisation is cost effective with a balanced budget at the end of each financial year and will take responsibility to ensure the continued development of its members to implement its purpose. It will embrace succession planning to assure the future sustainability of the Board and the organisation within its resources.

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