

Report to Public Health Committee

9 January 2014

Agenda Item: 8

REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH

STAFF TRANSFER FROM COMMUNITY SAFETY TO PUBLIC HEALTH

Purpose of the Report

1. The purpose of the report is to seek approval to transfer a member of staff from the County Council's Community Safety Team to the County Council's Public Health Department.

Information and Advice

2. Tackling Domestic Violence is a priority for the Safer Nottinghamshire Board, the Police and Crime Commissioner and the Health and Well Being Board. Currently there are members of staff within both the Public Health and Community Safety teams in the County Council who contribute to this agenda. This is not the best use of scarce resources as it can lead to duplication of effort as well as potentially causing confusion to external partners regarding how best to engage with the authority on this policy issue.

Reason for Recommendation

3. A single policy lead role for Domestic Violence within Public Health in Nottinghamshire County Council will help to ensure a 'one council approach', effective use of staff time and minimise duplication. Public Health staff will continue to support the Community Safety Committee within the council as well as the Public Health Committee. In fact the Vice Chair of the Public Health Committee is the chair of the Community Safety Committee.

RECOMMENDATION

4. That the Public Health Committee give retrospective approval to the transfer of a 0.8fte Community Safety officer at Hay Band C, with effect from 1st October 2013; the cost (including on-costs) of this transfer to be met from within the existing the Public Health grant funding.

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Statutory and Policy Implications

5. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of finance, the public sector equality duty, human resources, crime and disorder, human rights, the safeguarding of children, sustainability and the environment and those using the service and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

Constitutional Comments (KK 11/12/2013)

6. The proposal in this report is within the remit of the Public Health Committee.

Financial Implications (ZKM 11/12/2013)

7. The financial implications are outlined in paragraph 4.

Human Resources Implications

8. The postholder has transferred on existing terms and conditions.

Background Papers Available for Inspection

Nil

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

All