

3 July 2014

Agenda Item: 8

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT PLAN

Purpose of the Report

1. The report presents the Public Health department plan for 2014-15 for approval by the Committee. It details the key priorities for the department and relating financial and procurement plans.

Information and Advice

- 2. Public Health formally transferred into the Council on 1 April 2013. During its first year within Local Government, Public Health concentrated on integrating into the new environment, whilst ensuring that all Public Health responsibilities were transferred safely and services maintained.
- 3. The transfer to the Council has highlighted a number of new opportunities for Public Health. The new departmental plan captures these new ways of working, alongside continuous service improvement to shape the strategic approach for Public Health over the coming year.
- 4. The Public Health department plan is presented in **Appendix One**. It has been developed in conjunction with the individual policy leads to include key priorities. These are summarised under the following headings:
 - Improving efficiency and quality in commissioned services
 - Exploring new opportunities to improve health
 - Building on success
 - Embedding Public Health leadership
- 5. The plan will be supported by detailed action plans and monitored using local performance information and linked to the Public Health Outcomes Framework. This will ensure that Public Health continue to deliver health improvement outcomes for local people.
- 6. A procurement plan is included to describe the activity that will take place during 2014-15 to review services which will result in re-procurement of Public Health services. Future plans will be informed by the County Council Budget consultation during the Autumn 2014.

Statutory and Policy Implications

7. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, finance, human resources, human rights, the NHS Constitution (Public Health only), the public sector equality duty, safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults, service users, sustainability and the environment and ways of working and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

Financial Implications

8. The financial implications in delivering the Public Health services are described in the departmental plan.

Implications in relation to the NHS Constitution

9. Regard will be taken to the NHS Constitution together with all relevant guidance issued by the Secretary of State in any service changes relating to the implementation of the Public Health department Plan.

Public Sector Equality Duty implications

10. Any Public consultation undertaken as a result of implementing the Public Health department plan will take people with protected characteristics and from seldom heard groups into consideration. Equality impact assessments will also carried out for any changes to services relating to the implementation of the plan.

RECOMMENDATION/S

1) The Public health Committee is asked to approve the Public Health Department Plan for 2014-15

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Constitutional Comments (SG 12/06/2014)

11. The Committee has responsibility for public health by virtue of its terms of reference and the proposals in this report fall within the remit of this Committee.

Financial Comments (KAS 11/06/14)

12. The financial implications are contained within paragraph 8 of the report and the attached Business Plan.

Background Papers and Published Documents

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

• Public Health Business Plan 2013-14

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

• All