

**19 May 2016****Agenda Item: 7****REPORT OF THE INTERIM DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH****PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENTAL PLAN 2015/16 AND SERVICE PLAN  
2016/17****Purpose of the Report**

1. The 2015/16 Public Health departmental plan was approved by Public Health Committee on 10 September 2015. This report provides a final report for Committee on progress against the 2015/16 plan and outlines the approach to Service Planning to be undertaken for 2016/17, both for noting by the Committee.

**Background**

2. In the previous two years, as a separate Department of the County Council, Public Health developed an annual Departmental Plan to set the overall direction for its work and identify key activities and actions to be undertaken.
3. Public Health Committee approved the 2015/16 Public Health Department Plan on 10 September 2015 and agreed to receive updates on progress. Updates were previously provided in November 2015 and March 2016 following the agreed headings:
  - Improving efficiency and quality in commissioned services
  - Exploring new opportunities to improve health
  - Embedding Public Health leadership and oversight
  - Developing and making the maximum use of Public Health skills.
4. Owing to changes in the Council structure during 2015, Public Health is no longer a separate Department. As part of ASCH&PP, Public Health will have an operational-level Service Plan in the future. Performance will continue to be reported to Committee in the form of the quarterly contracts and performance report on commissioned services, which as previously notified to Committee, is being expanded to encompass performance on all the areas supported through Public Health grant, including the realigned Public Health grant supporting activity in other parts of the Council.

**Information and Advice**

5. Annex 1 to this report contains the year-end report on progress against the 2015/16 Department Plan. The report concentrates on performance in implementing the Plan, and so it focuses on identified activities and whether they have been completed. Other aspects of performance are covered in the quarterly contracts and performance reports submitted separately to Public Health Committee.

6. Since the last progress report to Committee, there has been one change in an activity being marked as Amber which previously was Green. This is the restructure of Public Health. Owing to the detailed consultation responses received, more time was needed to consider and address the comments. The implementation of the restructure has therefore been delayed and included as an action in the Service Plan for 2016/17.
7. There are no actions marked red as none are unable to be implemented.
8. Annex 2 contains the Public Health Service Plan for 2016/17 in the Council's standard Service Plan format. Service Plans are monitored internally with a mid-year report to the corporate performance team. It is also proposed to bring update reports on progress against the Service Plan to the Public Health Committee at mid-year and at year-end.

### **Other Options Considered**

9. This report has been brought for information. No other options are required.

### **Reason for Recommendation**

10. In September 2015, the Public Health Committee approved the Public Health Departmental Plan for 2015/16 and agreed to receive update reports on progress.

### **Statutory and Policy Implications**

11. 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**

12. There are no direct financial implications for this report.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

- 1) That Committee notes the update on 2015/16 Department Report and the move to Service Planning in 2016/17.
- 2) That Committee agrees to receive periodic updates on progress against the 2016/17 Service Plan.

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### **Constitutional Comments (EP 29/04/2016)**

13. This report is for noting only and no Constitutional comments are required.

### **Financial Comments (KS 29/04/2016)**

14. There are no financial implications contained within the report.

### **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.

Report to Public Health Committee, 2 July 2015, Public Health Department Plan 2014/15 and update on preparation of 2015/16 plan

Report to Public Health Committee, 10 September 2015, Public Health Department Plan 2015/16

Report to Public Health Committee, 21 November 2015, Public Health Departmental Plan 2015/16 - Progress Report

Report to Public Health Committee, 17 March 2016, Public Health Departmental Plan 2015/16 – Progress Report

### **Electoral Divisions and Members Affected**

- All

