

CABINET

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ANNUAL PUBLIC HEALTH REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH 2014/2015

ADDENDUM REPORT

Portfolio Holders: Councillor David Brake, Adult Services
Councillor Mike O'Brien, Children's Services

Report from: Dr Alison Barnett, Director of Public Health

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Summary

To present the comments of the Health and Wellbeing Board following its consideration of the Annual Public Health Report on 4 February 2016.

1. Background

- 1.1 The Director of Public Health introduced her Annual Public Health report for 2014/15 stating that it had been inspired by the transfer of responsibility for commissioning the Healthy Child Programme for children aged 0-5 from the NHS to Local Authorities from October 2015.
- 1.2 During the discussion, members of the Board praised the report and raised a number of points and questions, which included:
 - 1.2.1 Embedding the report into the Council. The report highlighted important current issues and challenges set in a historical context and should be used to inform action across the Council. The Board asked that all officers should read the plan. The Director of Public Health advised that one example of embedding public health was the Directorate's work with colleagues in Planning on the development of the Local Plan.
 - 1.2.2 Availability of the report to GPs. The Director of Public Health confirmed that the report would be sent to all GP practices and was available on-line.
 - 1.2.3 Immunisation rates. The Director of Public Health confirmed that data accuracy remained an issue and must be addressed in order to focus action on increasing uptake.
- 1.3 The Board noted the Annual Public Health Report and the priorities identified for improving the health and wellbeing of children.

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