

Report of the Head of Civic, Democratic and Legal Services

The Local Area Agreement and the Healthy City Board

Summary

1. This report introduces Bill Hodson, Director of Housing and Adult Social Services and Rachel Johns, Associate Director of Public Health for York with North Yorkshire and York Primary Care Trust.
2. Bill Hodson will give members a verbal update on the progress of the Local Area Agreement with regard to Healthier Communities.
3. Rachel Johns will talk about the work of the Healthy City Board and how it relates to the Local Strategic Partnership.

Background

4. At the work planning seminar in August 2007 members expressed interest in hearing from these colleagues. This will inform their planned work programme and assist them in working collaboratively with other organisations in order to examine wider health issues for York people. This may include investigating health needs, inequalities or health improvement issues within communities.

Consultation

5. No consultation is immediately relevant at this stage on this issue, giving that information is merely being presented to Members.

Options

6. Members may note the contributions from the speakers which may influence their programme of work for the next municipal year.

Analysis

7. Members are considering how the role of Health Scrutiny can become more inclusive and work in more innovative ways in order to engage with cross-cutting health issues which impact on communities. This is being done with a view to establishing a work plan which reflects those issues.

Corporate Priorities

8. Setting an agenda and work plan pertinent to cross-cutting health issues, is relevant to Corporate Priorities for Improvement 6 – Improve the health and lifestyles of the people who live in York, in particular among groups whose levels of health are the poorest

Implications

9. There are no known Financial, HR, Equalities, Legal, Crime and Disorder, IT or other implications at this stage.

Risk Management

10. In compliance with the Council's risk management strategy. There are no risks associated with the recommendations of this report.

Recommendations

11. Members are asked to receive the contributions, ask relevant questions and consider how this may influence their future work, as a part of the emerging Work Plan for the Sub-Committee.

Reason: In order to remain up to date on the health and well-being of the citizens of York.

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Specialist Implications Officer(s) None

Wards Affected:

All



For further information please contact the author of the report

Annexes: None

Background Papers: None