

## CABINET ITEM COVERING SHEET PROFORMA

**AGENDA ITEM**

**REPORT TO CABINET**

**10 JUNE 2010**

**REPORT OF CORPORATE  
MANAGEMENT TEAM**

### **CABINET DECISION**

Adult Services & Health Services – Lead Cabinet Member – Councillor Beall  
Children and Young People Services – Lead Cabinet Member – Councillor McCoy  
Regeneration and Transport – Lead Cabinet Member – Councillor Cook  
Housing & Community Safety – Lead Cabinet Member – Councillor Nelson  
Arts, Leisure & Culture – Lead Cabinet Member - Councillor Womphrey

#### **A Health and Wellbeing Strategy for Stockton-on-Tees**

1. Summary

The Health and Wellbeing Strategy has been developed to improve the health and wellbeing of families and communities and adults in the Borough of Stockton-on-Tees through tackling health inequalities and focusing on six key priorities:

Mental Health  
Alcohol  
Obesity  
Smoking  
Health Inequalities  
Sexual Health

The Strategy outlines the priorities and actions that will be undertaken recognising the national and local policy context and building on the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment. Its structure mirrors the Children and Young Peoples Plan and the Adult Vision so that the Health and Wellbeing Partnership can clearly monitor progress against each of the themes.

2. Recommendations

That Cabinet note the Strategy and endorse the direction of travel outlined in the attached document.

3. Reasons for the Recommendations/Decision(s)

The Strategy provides a focus for action

4. Members' Interests

Members (including co-opted Members with voting rights) should consider whether they have a personal interest in the item as defined in the Council's code of conduct

**(paragraph 8)** and, if so, declare the existence and nature of that interest in accordance with paragraph 9 of the code.

Where a Member regards him/herself as having a personal interest in the item, he/she must then consider whether that interest is one which a member of the public, with knowledge of the relevant facts, would reasonably regard as so significant that it is likely to prejudice the Member's judgement of the public interest **(paragraphs 10 and 11 of the code of conduct)**.

A Member with a prejudicial interest in any matter must withdraw from the room where the meeting considering the business is being held -

- in a case where the Member is attending a meeting (including a meeting of a select committee) but only for the purpose of making representations, answering questions or giving evidence, provided the public are also allowed to attend the meeting for the same purpose whether under statutory right or otherwise, immediately after making representations, answering questions or giving evidence as the case may be;
- in any other case, whenever it becomes apparent that the business is being considered at the meeting;

and must not exercise executive functions in relation to the matter and not seek improperly to influence the decision about the matter **(paragraph 12 of the Code)**.

**Further to the above, it should be noted that any Member attending a meeting of Cabinet, Select Committee etc; whether or not they are a Member of the Cabinet or Select Committee concerned, must declare any personal interest which they have in the business being considered at the meeting (unless the interest arises solely from the Member's membership of, or position of control or management on any other body to which the Member was appointed or nominated by the Council, or on any other body exercising functions of a public nature, when the interest only needs to be declared if and when the Member speaks on the matter), and if their interest is prejudicial, they must also leave the meeting room, subject to and in accordance with the provisions referred to above.**

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**RECOMMENDATIONS**

That Cabinet note the Strategy and endorse the direction of travel outlined in the attached document.

**DETAIL**

1. The Health and Wellbeing Strategy sets out the overarching aims and aspirations of the Health and Wellbeing Partnership. The Partnership brings together statutory, community and voluntary sector in working towards improving the health and wellbeing of the local population. The Strategy has been developed from the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment, which articulates the commissioning needs for our locality.
2. The Partnership have supported the Strategy development and contributed to its evolution and recommended that the final document should be endorsed by both the Council and PCT.
3. There are a wide range of factors that influence people's health and the Health and Wellbeing Partnership will monitor the key milestones and ensure that we have maximised the opportunity of working with all our partners to meet the aim of improving the health and wellbeing of families, communities and adults.

4. A particular focus for the Strategy will be the six priority areas covering:

- Mental Health
- Alcohol
- Obesity
- Smoking
- Health Inequalities
- Sexual Health

5. There will be close review of these issues via the Health and Wellbeing Partnership to ensure that we make progress in tackling these priorities.

#### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

6. The Strategy sets the direction of travel for health and wellbeing across the PCT and LA. Investment decisions will be subject to the constituent organisations planning and financial arrangements.

#### **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

7. There are no legal implications arising from this Strategy.

#### **RISK ASSESSMENT**

8. Not applicable

#### **SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY STRATEGY IMPLICATIONS**

9. The Strategy for Health and Wellbeing impacts across all of the policy platform areas as there are a wide range of factors that influence people's health. It highlights the requirements and contributions for service planning across all of the themes.

#### **EQUALITIES IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

10. This report has been subject to an Equality Impact Assessment and has been judged to have a positive impact. An action plan for further improvements has been developed.

#### **CORPORATE PARENTING**

11. The health and wellbeing of looked after children are a key issue for Children's Trust Board partners and therefore must remain a priority for the Health and Wellbeing Partnership to maintain a focus on improving outcomes.

#### **CONSULTATION INCLUDING WARD/COUNCILLORS**

12. The Strategy has been developed with input from the Health and Wellbeing Partnership, which has representation from Councillors and Area Partnership Boards. A members seminar is scheduled for July to review Health Inequalities and will be an opportunity for further consideration of the strategy.

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Education related? No

Background Papers NA

Ward(s) and Ward Councillors: NA

Property: NA