

AGENDA ITEM

1st MAY 2008

REVIEW OF OBESITY

Summary

The first review of the Children and Young People Select Committee in 2008 is to be a review of obesity. The Committee will be working to its wider remit in that it will consider the issue for both children and adults. This briefing paper is to inform the Committee the current position of this review.

Recommendation

The Committee agree the scope and project plan for this review.

Detail

1. The Scrutiny Liaison Committee (SLF) met on 25th March 2008 to discuss the topics for the Council's select committees during 2008/9. The SLF prioritised the topics which were then assigned to the committee with the most closely aligned terms of reference. The Children and Young People Select Committee was allocated the topic of obesity and was asked to widen its focus to include adults as well as children when examining this issue.
2. The Committee will be supported in its review by Elizabeth Shassere, Acting Locality Director of Public Health, North Tees Primary Care Trust who is developing an Obesity Strategy Development Group in the borough.
3. In order to assist the Committee a number of documents are attached to this covering report. In 2004 the North Tees Primary Care Trust Health improvement Partnership produced *Obesity: A Digest for Stockton* which provides a summary of the data, trends, evidence and interventions related to obesity (see appendix 1). More recently, in November 2007, the North East Public Health Observatory produced a North East update report about obesity (see appendix 2).
4. The scope and project plan are still being developed and will be issued separately but it is intended that the Committee final report will be presented to Cabinet on Thursday, 9th October.

Conclusion

The Committee is asked to consider the information attached to assist reaching agreement of the scope and project plan.

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Background Papers :

Appendix 1 - North Tees Primary Care Trust Health improvement Partnership - Obesity: A Digest for Stockton

Appendix 2 - North East Public Health Observatory – Obesity: A North East Update Report

Ward(s) and Ward Councillors:

Not ward specific.