



LONDON BOROUGH OF
HARROW

Report for: **Health and Wellbeing Board**

Date of Meeting: Thursday 7th November 2024

Subject: Annual Report of the Director of Public Health

Responsible Officer: Carole Furlong, Director of Public Health

Public: Yes

Wards affected: All

Enclosures: List all documents attached which include information relevant to the report

Section 1 – Summary and Recommendations

This front sheet accompanies the main report. The front sheet details the context of the Annual Report of the DPH and how the report can be used across Health and Wellbeing partners.

The Annual Report of the Director of Public Health is an independent report from the Director of Public Health which reflects the local population's health and wellbeing needs.

In previous years the annual reports have focused on green spaces, local ward level health profiles and health inequalities. This year, the report explores a range of typical topics and highlights three key messages we wish all readers to understand for each topic. The report takes a calendar format, with one topic each month.

The aim of this report is for it to be used as a yearly plan of health promotion and to highlight key resources for residents and staff. An online version of the report will be available on the Harrow Council website, and each month will be updated to reflect current promotions and events.

Recommendations:

- Note the key messages for each health and wellbeing topic in Harrow.
- Connect with the Public Health team to take every opportunity to promote relevant health and wellbeing topics.

The Board is requested to:

- note the findings of the report
- support the recommendations of the report.

Section 2 – Report

• How the report should be used

The report can be used to direct the more general communications and engagement agendas throughout the health and care partnership. The report therefore tries to coordinate partners communication and engagement planning.

The report is accompanied by 12 webpages with links to common resources that will be updated throughout the year.

Recommendations

- The reader can review the key messages for each of the 12 chapters and identify any opportunities where they can be integrated into partner communication campaigns and events. The Public Health team can facilitate this process if required.

Financial Implications/Comments

Whilst there are no additional direct financial implications arising from this report, the prioritisation of the recommendations, through the wider system, will need to be contained within existing partner resources, which includes the annual public health grant.

Legal Implications/Comments

Section 116A of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007, stipulates that it is the responsibility of the local authority and integrated care boards to prepare a local health and wellbeing strategy.

The Health and Social Care Act 2012 provides responsibility to the Health and Wellbeing Board for the oversight of the local health and wellbeing strategy.

A key responsibility of the Health and Wellbeing Board is to therefore have oversight and accountability of the proposed strategy.

Risk Management Implications

The health and wellbeing strategy does not present any risks or suggest any mitigation.

Risks included on corporate or directorate risk register? **No**

Separate risk register in place? **No**

The relevant risks contained in the register are attached/summarised below.
n/a

Equalities implications / Public Sector Equality Duty

Was an Equality Impact Assessment carried out? **No**

The report was written to expose and promote health and wellbeing advice across all health and wellbeing partners, with a focus on targeting messages for the specific cohorts of the community that are impacted.

Council Priorities

Please identify how the decision sought delivers this priority.

- 1. A council that puts residents first**
- 2. A borough that is clean and safe**

3. A place where those in need are supported

Section 3 - Statutory Officer Clearance (Council and Joint Reports)

Statutory Officer: Belvin Corriette

Signed on *behalf of/by the Chief Financial Officer

Date: 21/10/2024

Statutory Officer: Sharon Clarke

Signed on *behalf of/by the Monitoring Officer

Date: 21/10/2024

Chief Officer: Carole Furlong

Signed by the Director of Public Health

Date: 23/10/2024

Mandatory Checks

Ward Councillors notified: No as it impacts on all Wards

Section 4 - Contact Details and Background Papers

Contact: Carole Furlong, Director of Public Health

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Background Papers:

[Harrow Health and Wellbeing Strategy](#)

If appropriate, does the report include the following considerations?

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| 1. Consultation | NO |
| 2. Priorities | NO |