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Report to Scrutiny Board (Adult Social Services, Public Health, NHS)

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Subject: Public Health Budget Update

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	☐	Yes	☒	No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	☐	Yes	☒	No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	☐	Yes	☒	No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	☐	Yes	☒	No

1   Purpose of this report

1.1   The purpose of this report is to introduce an update from the Director of Public Health regarding the Public Health budget for 2015/16 (i.e. the current year).

2   Summary of main issues

2.1   At the Board's meeting on 23 June 2015, the Director of Public Health and Executive Member for Health, Wellbeing and Adults advised the Scrutiny Board of a recent Treasury announcement that would see Public Health funding reduced by approximately £200M across England for 2015/16 (the current year): Equating to around £3M for Leeds, which was likely to have a significant impact on the Council's 'prevention agenda'.

2.2   The Board was further advised that a Department of Health consultation was anticipated in the near future – likely to focus on how the decision could be implemented.

2.3   The Director of Public Health has been invited to provide an update to the Scrutiny Board (attached at Appendix 1) for consideration. Any further update on the current position will be provided at the meeting, as appropriate.

3.   Recommendations

3.1   That the Scrutiny Board considers this report and attachments, and determines any future scrutiny actions or activity.

4. Background papers[1]

4.1 None used.

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[1] The background documents listed in this section are available to download from the Council's website, unless they contain confidential or exempt information. The list of background documents does not include published works.