



Report of the Chief Democratic Services Officer

Executive Board

Date: 3rd November 2010

Subject: Scrutiny Board Recommendations

Electoral Wards Affected:

Ward Members consulted
(referred to in report)

Specific Implications For:

Equality and Diversity

Community Cohesion

Narrowing the Gap

Eligible for Call In

Not Eligible for Call In

(Details contained in the report)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. Responses to Scrutiny Board reports and recommendations are no longer required to be approved by Executive Board. Instead, Executive Board will receive a report from the Scrutiny Support Unit summarising all responses to Scrutiny recommendations agreed by the Director, in consultation with the relevant Executive Member, since the last Executive Board meeting.
2. Where there is a difference of opinion between Scrutiny and the Director/Executive Member, or where recommendations are directed specifically at Executive Board, a more detailed narrative will be given and Executive Board will be asked to pronounce on the matter.
3. This report lists those Scrutiny Board recommendations which have been agreed by the relevant Director, in consultation with the appropriate Executive Board. There are no recommendations where agreement cannot be reached.
4. Executive Board is asked to note the agreed recommendations.

1.0 Purpose Of This Report

- 1.1 This report provides a summary of responses to Scrutiny Board recommendations received since the last Executive Board meeting.

2.0 Background Information

- 2.1 Responses to Scrutiny Board reports and recommendations are no longer required to be approved by Executive Board. Instead, Executive Board will receive a report from the Scrutiny Support Unit summarising all responses to Scrutiny recommendations agreed by the Director/Executive Member since the last Executive Board meeting. This report will include, if required, a more detailed narrative around any recommendations where there is a difference of opinion between Scrutiny and the Director/Executive Member.
- 2.2 Where there is a difference of opinion between Scrutiny and the Director/Executive Member or where recommendations are directed specifically at Executive Board, Executive Board will be asked to pronounce on the matter.

3.0 Main Issues

- 3.1 Since the 13th October 2010 Executive Board meeting, responses have been received to the following Scrutiny Board report:

Scrutiny Board (Health) - Promoting Good Public Health: the role of the Council and its Partners.

- 3.2 The recommendations arising from this report are shown in Appendix 1
- 3.3 There are no recommendations where there is disagreement between the Scrutiny Board and Director/Executive Member.

4.0 Implications For Council Policy And Governance

- 4.1 There are no policy implications arising from Scrutiny's recommendations. There are no governance implications.

5.0 Legal And Resource Implications

- 5.1 There are no resource implications arising from the Scrutiny recommendations.

6.0 Conclusions

- 6.1 Scrutiny Board (Health) has received responses to recommendations made in its final report; Promoting Good Public Health: the role of the Council and its Partners. These have been agreed by the relevant Director in conjunction with the relevant Executive Board member and are listed in Appendix 1.

7.0 Recommendations

- 7.1 That the Executive Board notes the responses to Scrutiny Board recommendations.

8.0 Background Papers

- 8.1 Scrutiny Board (Health) - Final Inquiry Report - Promoting Good Public Health: the role of the Council and its Partners.

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<p>Scrutiny Board (Health) Promoting Good Public Health: the role of the Council and its Partners.</p>
<p><u>Recommendation One</u></p> <p>That the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development continues to work with the membership of the Scrutiny Board (Health), or its successor body, to ensure that future public health issues in Leeds, particularly where there are significant health inequalities, are incorporated into the annual work programme from June 2010/11.</p> <p>Agreed</p>
<p><u>Recommendation Two:</u></p> <p>That, by December 2010, in collaboration with the Director of Public Health, the Director of Adult Social Services (as the lead for Health):</p> <p>(a) Makes an assessment of the extent to which all NICE public health guidance and recommendations (as they relate to local authorities) have been disseminated and used to inform the delivery of services, either directly or through appropriate policies, across the Council.</p> <p>(b) Designs and implements a robust assurance process to ensure the appropriate distribution and consideration of any future NICE guidance, appropriate to the Council.</p> <p>Agreed</p>
<p><u>Recommendation Three:</u></p> <p>That, by September 2010, the Director of Public Health works collaboratively to ensure an agreed Sexual Health Strategy is in place and signed up to by all key partners.</p> <p>Agreed</p>
<p><u>Recommendation Four:</u></p> <p>That, as soon as practicable, the Director of Children's Services writes to the appropriate Minister and Government Department in an attempt secure a national direction for the delivery of consistent and high quality Sex and Relationship Education (SRE) in local schools.</p> <p>Agreed</p>
<p><u>Recommendation Five:</u></p> <p>That, as part of the overall Leeds Development Framework and prior to formal submission, the Director of City Development and the Director of Public Health ensure that the public health agenda and relevant NICE recommendations are appropriately addressed and reflected in the Core Strategy.</p> <p>Agreed</p>
<p><u>Recommendation Six:</u></p> <p>That the Director of Public Health, in conjunction with other Chief Officers, actively identifies and assesses best practice examples from across the country, aimed at limiting or reducing the number of fast-food outlets across the City and improving access to good quality food: In this regard, a progress report be provided to the Scrutiny Board (Health) by January 2011.</p> <p>Agreed</p>
<p><u>Recommendation Seven</u></p> <p>That, as soon as practicable, the Director of Public Health and the Head of Licensing and Registration, jointly write to the appropriate Minister and Government Department in an attempt to secure changes to the current licensing legislation, that would result in 'public health' considerations becoming material consideration within the licensing application process.</p> <p>Agreed</p>

Recommendation Eight

That, by July 2010, the Department of Health (in collaboration with any other appropriate Government Department) be strongly urged to work towards the introduction of a minimum price per unit of alcohol, as soon as practicable: This may include, but should not be restricted to, a review of current competition laws and regulations, as appropriate.

Agreed

Recommendation Nine

That, in finalising the arrangements and terms of a joint Director of Public Health (DPH) appointment, the Council's Chief Executive consider the issues raised in this report, specifically in terms of ensuring the full and active role of the DPH – both as a member of the Corporate Leadership Team and within decision-making across the Council in general.

Agreed

Recommendation Ten

That, under the direction of Executive Board, the Assistant Chief Executive (Corporate Governance) review current decision-making guidance and pro-forma, with a view to ensuring appropriate consideration of public health implications within all decisions by December 2010.

Agreed