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**Report of Head of Governance and Scrutiny Support**

**Report to Scrutiny Board (Adults and Health)**

**Date 24 April 2018**

**Subject: The Annual Report of the Director of Public Health 2017/2018**

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

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**Summary of main issues**

1. At its meeting on 21 March 2018, the Executive Board received and considered the Annual Report of the Director of Public Health 2017/2018.
2. The Executive Board report and associated appendices are appended to this report for consideration by the Scrutiny Board (Adults and Health).
3. The following extract from the draft minutes from the Executive Board meeting is also provided for consideration.

**157 The Annual Report of the Director of Public Health 2017/2018**

*The Director of Public Health submitted a report which presented the Director's annual report on the health of the city's population for the period 2017/2018. This was in line with the Health & Social Care Act 2012, which required the Director to compile and publish an annual report on the health of the city's population.*

*In presenting the report, the Director of Public Health provided the Board with a summary of the key findings, Leeds' performance in the wider context, the areas of concern, emerging trends and the report's conclusions together with associated recommendations.*

*With regard to a Member's comments on several specific issues highlighted by the report, namely: alcohol related mortality in women; infant mortality levels and drug related deaths in men - emphasis was placed upon the complexity of these issues and the wide range of causal factors involved. The Board was also provided with further detail on the actions being taken to address these emerging trends, however it was acknowledged that partnership and multi-agency approaches were key, when looking to improve such complex issues.*

*Responding to a Member's enquiry, the Board was provided with further information on the nature of the recommendations detailed within the Director's report and it was highlighted that the recommendations were designed to complement and add to the range of actions which were already in place across the city. Members also received assurance that the work being undertaken in those key areas highlighted within the Director's report were being aligned with other initiatives, such as the priorities identified by the Leeds Academic Health Partnership.*

*In conclusion, the Executive Member for Health, Wellbeing and Adults emphasised that whilst a number of health indicators across the city were improving, it was those associated with poverty and deprivation which were generally declining.*

#### **RESOLVED –**

- (a) That the contents of the Annual Report of the Director of Public Health, as appended to the submitted report be noted, and that the recommendations detailed within it be supported;*
- (b) That the Health and Wellbeing Board be recommended to consider the Director's Annual Report in relation to the next Joint Strategic Needs Assessment;*
- (c) That the City Development directorate be recommended to take due regard of the recommendations made within the Director's report about the contribution of the Leeds Inclusive Growth Strategy in the tackling of deprivation and reduction in inequalities;*
- (d) That the Director of Public Health be requested to provide an update to a future Executive Board meeting on the next set of life expectancy figures for males and females in Leeds.*

4. It should be noted that due to the timing of the Scrutiny Board's meeting, the Director of Public Health is unable to attend. As such, the details presented in this report and appendices are provided 'for information'. Any specific comments or queries identified by the Scrutiny Board will be provided to the Director of Public Health to address and report back to the Scrutiny Board.
5. It should also be noted that it is proposed to re-present the attached Annual Report of the Director of Public Health 2017/2018 to the first meeting of the reconstituted Scrutiny Board in the new municipal year.

## **Recommendations**

6. That the Scrutiny Board:
  - (a) Notes the attached Annual Report of the Director of Public Health 2017/2018 and the associated extract from the draft minutes from the Executive Board's meeting held on 21 March 2018.
  - (b) Identifies and agrees any specific comments or queries to be submitted to the Director of Public Health to address and report back to the Scrutiny Board.
  - (c) Notes the proposal to re-present the attached Annual Report of the Director of Public Health 2017/2018 to the first meeting of the reconstituted Scrutiny Board in the new municipal year.

## **Background documents<sup>1</sup>**

5. None.

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<sup>1</sup> 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.