

EAST HERTS COUNCIL

HEALTH AND WELLBEING SCRUTINY – 23 JUNE 2015

REPORT BY EXECUTIVE MEMBER FOR HEALTH AND WELLBEING

EAST HERTS HEALTH AND WELLBEING STRATEGY: 2014/15 YEAR END WORKPLAN PROGRESS REPORT

WARD(S) AFFECTED: ALL

Purpose/Summary of Report

- To update Members on the Council's Public Health work for the 2014/15 Year End Workplan that is associated with the East Herts Health and Wellbeing Strategy.

<u>RECOMMENDATION FOR HEALTH AND WELLBEING SCRUTINY</u>	
That:	
(A)	the Committee scrutinise the content of the East Herts Health and Wellbeing Strategy Year End Workplan for 2014/15.

1.0 Background

On October 16 2013 the Council approved its second Public Health Strategy, the East Herts Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2013-2018. The new strategy combines the public health wellbeing, prevention and protection principles of the first East Herts Public Health Strategy alongside the life course approach linked with the central aspects of environmental, social, health economic and population factors. This strategy seeks to mainstream the public health role within the Council and its partners, recognising the contribution and joint working by different services (both inter-departmental and external). It will enable us to deliver projects and partnership approaches that contribute to the areas highlighted as being of greater importance to East Herts residents, based on statistical data that is available.

1.2 At the start of each year, the Council approves a workplan which supports the priorities identified in the East Herts Health and Wellbeing Strategy. The workplan lists projects that the Council will undertake. The workplan runs for the 12-month period and currently is reviewed after six months of work and at the end of the fiscal year; after which a new workplan is approved.

2.0 Report

2.1 The 2014/15 Year End workplan contained 35 projects that the Council planned to undertake before the end of March 2015. The plan seeks to address the priorities of the East Herts Health and Wellbeing Strategy. These are:

- Healthy children starting off well
- Empowering children, young people and adults to achieve their life potential
- Creating health and work together
- Promoting positive health and wellbeing life quality for all
- Healthy places and sustainable communities
- Pro-active health prevention
- Council's Power of Influence

2.2 Project Tracking and Progress

As of the 31st March 2015, 33 out of 35 planned projects undertaken by the Council and external partners have been delivered resulting in approximately 15,128 people based interactions. This represents a 94% completion rate. These interactions are estimates based on submitted numbers or a probable prediction of the potential interactions, e.g. 4 within one family group. Some of the larger interaction figures are related to a significant range of projects delivered by external partners. In addition, 2 projects have not been delivered, see **Essential Reference Paper 'B'** and the exceptions report for a more detailed explanation.

2.3 With the introduction of the online project tracking and evaluation approach the interim report may not be necessary. In reference to

the Workplan programme report section 2.6, the new committee is asked whether the interim report usually presented at the December meeting should in future take the format of an “exceptions report” and only be submitted if any project delivery factors were of significant risk.

2.4 The projects undertaken have involved various different levels of interaction from a population/community level to a more personalised or group level utilising a range of public health models and ways of working. More details as to status and progress of the projects are shown in the format of a Highlight and Exception Report found in **Essential Reference Paper ‘B’**.

3.0 Implications/Consultations

3.1 Information on any corporate issues and consultation associated with this report can be found within **Essential Reference Paper ‘A’**.

Background Papers

- East Herts Public Health Strategy ([link](#))
- East Herts Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2013-2018 ([link](#))

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