

EAST HERTS COUNCIL

HEALTH AND WELLBEING SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – 16 FEBRUARY 2017

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REPORT BY EXECUTIVE MEMBER FOR HEALTH AND WELLBEING

EAST HERTS HEALTH AND WELLBEING WORKPLAN 2017/18

WARD(S) AFFECTED: ALL

**Purpose/Summary of Report**

- To seek members approval for the 2017/18 East Herts Health and Wellbeing Workplan

<b><u>RECOMMENDATION FOR HEALTH AND WELLBEING SCRUTINY</u></b>	
<b>That:</b>	
<b>(A)</b>	<b>the content of the East Herts Health and Wellbeing Strategy's Work plan for 2017/18 be scrutinised; and</b>
<b>(B)</b>	<b>the proposed East Herts Health and Wellbeing Strategy's Workplan for 2017/18 be approved.</b>

1.0 Background

1.1 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 life course approach connected with the original principles of the first East Herts Public Health Strategy. The current Health and Wellbeing strategy seeks to mainstream the public health role within the Council and its partners. It will help in delivering projects and partnership approaches that bring improved health outcomes to the residents of East Herts.

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 is reviewed after six months of work and at the end of the fiscal year; after which a new workplan is approved.

- 2.0 Relationship to Projects considered under the 'Public Health Partnership Fund 2014-2018'
- 2.1 East Herts Council has a long history of allocating funding to support public health focused projects which benefit the residents of East Herts. In 2008 this work was formally coordinated by the introduction of a public health strategy and workplan.
- 2.2 In 2014, Councillor Teresa Heritage, Executive Member for Public Health and Localism at Hertfordshire County Council wrote to the Council offering funding towards public health initiatives for Two Phases of this fund. The funding totalled £100,000 for each Phase. The same offer was made to the other District and Borough Councils in Hertfordshire.
- 2.3 Community Health and Wellbeing Fund 2014-2018
- 2.4 The East Herts Health and Wellbeing Strategy workplan supports the Council's public health commitment and aligns with the Hertfordshire Public Health Strategy principles. The Public Health Partnership Fund enables delivery of mutually agreed public health outcomes reflecting the local population need identified through the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and health profiles.
- 2.5 Community Health and Wellbeing Fund is the local name given to the Public Health Partnership projects within East Herts. These usually require greater investment than smaller health and wellbeing projects and as a result, more comprehensive assessment. The Assessment panel involved officer representation and was chaired by the Executive Member for Health and Wellbeing.
- 2.6 As these projects are subject to separate scrutiny, they will not form part of the East Herts Health and Wellbeing Strategy workplan while the Public Health Partnership funding is available.
- 2.7 The 2017/18 workplan contains 4 new projects, and 19 core projects. The Council plans to undertake these before the end of March 2018, addressing the priorities of the East Herts Health and Wellbeing Strategy which 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

## 2.8 Project Tracking and Progress

2.9 The projects planned for 2017/18 to be undertaken by the Council and external partners will have their progress tracked and reported annually in June 2018 at the year-end stage.

2.10 The projects will involve various different levels of interaction from a population/community level to a more personalised or group setting, using a range of public health models and ways of working. More details as to the content and form 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 Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2013-2018  
<http://www.eastherts.gov.uk/wellbeing>
- Hertfordshire Public Health Strategy  
<http://www.hertsdirect.org/your-council/hcc/publichealth/>
- Joint Strategic Needs Assessment  
<http://jsna.hertslis.org>
- Health profiles  
<http://www.healthprofiles.info/>

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