

Taking forward the Director of Public Health Annual Report – Tackling Inequalities

SUMMARY

- 1.1 As reported at the last Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB), the Director of Public Health Annual Report (DPHAR) 2017/18, 'How The Other Half Live' focuses on health inequalities in the Derby population through the fictional portrayal of two families - the Stanley's in Allestree and the Sahota's in Arboretum.
- 1.2 The report discusses a range of health issues and key statistics explored through the various health trials and tribulations of two families.
- 1.3 In January, the HWB agreed to further discuss and consider, as individual organisations and collectively, how we can start to reduce the health inequalities that exist in the city.
- 1.4 To start this discussion and to identify opportunities to impact on health inequalities, using a number of scenarios, HWB members will invited to participate in some group work to identify some individual and collective actions to tackle health inequalities in the city.

RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 Board members are asked to consider and actively participate in discussions to identify achievable actions to reduce health inequalities in the city.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 The purpose and function of the HWB is to 'lead and advise on work to improve the health and wellbeing of the population of Derby and specifically to reduce health inequalities'. This recommendation supports the HWB in fulfilling this function.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 4.1 The report presented on the DPHAR to the HWB on 18 January 2018 can be found on the Derby City Council CMIS committee pages.

4.2 The DPHAR has been published on the Derby City Council web pages and can be found here.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

5.1 None.

This report has been approved by the following officers:

Legal officer Financial officer Human Resources officer Estates/Property officer Service Director(s) Other(s)	
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Background papers:	None
List of appendices:	Appendix 1 – Implications

IMPLICATIONS

Financial and Value for Money

- 1.1 None.

Legal

- 2.1 Directors of Public Health in Local Government: Roles, Responsibilities and Context (Department of Health, 2013: p.10)

“In general the statutory responsibilities of the DPH are designed to match exactly the corporate public health duties of their local authority. The exception is the annual report on the health of the local population – the DPH has a duty to write a report, whereas the authority’s duty is to publish it (section 73B(5) & (6) of the 2006 Act, inserted by section 31 of the 2012 Act). The content and structure of the report is something to be decided locally.”

Personnel

- 3.1 None.

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- 4.1 None.

Equalities Impact

- 5.1 Health inequalities are the focus of the 2017/18 DPHAR, this reports starts the process of working together to tackle the issues identified within the DPHAR.

Health and Safety

- 6.1 None.

Environmental Sustainability

- 7.1 None.

Property and Asset Management

- 8.1 None.

Risk Management and Safeguarding

- 9.1 The risks highlighted are around various health inequalities that exist within the city. The report recommendations are primarily to ensure that they don’t continue or worsen.

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

- 10.1 The DPH Annual Report supports the delivery of the corporate objectives, particularly the priority outcome to promote health and wellbeing.