



DERBY CITY COUNCIL

SOCIAL CARE AND HEALTH COMMISSION
3 October 2005

Report of the Director of Corporate Services

Response of the Primary Care Trusts on the Side Effects Drugs

RECOMMENDATION

- 1.1 To note the response of the Director of Public Health on the comments by a MECAC member regarding the side effects of drugs.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 2.1 A member of MECAC has asked the Commission to investigate the establishment of advice clinics to inform patients and their families about side effects of certain medications prescribed by GPs. This was discussed as part of the Commission's work programme at the last meeting and not supported. Members however agreed to forward the comments to the Primary Care Trust.
- 2.2 Comments from the Director of Public Health are attached in Appendix 2.

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| Background papers: | None |
| List of appendices: | Appendix 1 - Implications Appendix 2 – Comments of the Director of Public Health |

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| IMPLICATIONS |
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Financial

1.1 None.

Legal

2.1 The Health and Social Care Act 2001 provides overview and scrutiny committees to review any matter relating to the planning, provision and operation of health services within their area. It also requires the local NHS health bodies to consult their respective overview and scrutiny committees on proposals for substantial development or variations in the service.

Personnel

3.1 None.

Equalities Impact

4.1 None.

Corporate Objectives and Priorities

5.1 The report supports the Corporate Objectives of **a diverse, attractive and healthy environment** and the priorities of **modernising social care**.