

## **Committee: Cabinet**

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Wards: All

## **Subject: Merton Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2015-18**

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### **Recommendations:**

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1. To agree the draft refreshed Merton Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2015-18
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## **1 PURPOSE OF REPORT AND EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

- 1.1. This report outlines the refresh of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2015-18.

## **2 DETAILS**

- 2.1 Merton Health and Wellbeing Strategy has been in place for two years. Work to refresh the current strategy began late in 2014 with the formation of a task and finish group including senior representatives from across the Council and partners from the Health and Wellbeing Board.

- 2.2 The Health and Wellbeing Board discussed the direction of the refreshed Strategy at a development session earlier this year and again at an informal seminar in March. It was agreed that the Strategy should be more focussed on fewer outcomes with a clear delivery plan. The refresh of the HWB strategy 2015-2018 is also based on the Merton Partnership conference 2013, which focussed on reducing health inequalities and links to the Community Plan.

- 2.3 The Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2015-18 prioritises the most significant influences on health as well as good health. Our vision is:

*A fair share of opportunities for health and wellbeing for all Merton residents.*

This means we will halt the rise in the gap in Life Expectancy between areas within Merton.

- 2.4 There are five key priorities which together create a place for a good life in Merton:

Theme 1 Best start in life – early years development and strong educational achievement.

Theme 2 Good health – focus on prevention, early detection of long-term conditions and access to good quality health and social care

Theme 3 Life skills, lifelong learning and good work

Theme 4 Community participation and feeling safe

Theme 5 A good natural and built environment

- 2.5 Each theme sets out a number of outcomes with three year targets. The draft delivery plan details actions against each outcome, with baselines, one year targets, lead officer and governance lead.

The draft Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2015-18 and Delivery Plan 2015/16 is included in Appendix 1.

- 2.6 The Strategy in final draft form with some details to be confirmed. It is currently being shared with partners and stakeholders for comments and, subject to agreement by Cabinet, is planned to be launched in June.

### **3 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**

- 3.1. It is a statutory requirement for all local authorities to have a Health and Wellbeing Board and them to produce a joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy based on the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and wider data

### **4 CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN OR PROPOSED**

- 4.1. A consultation event was organised by HealthWatch for the refresh of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy. Health and Wellbeing Board partners have been closely involved in the development of the Strategy.

### **5 TIMETABLE**

- 5.1. The Health and Wellbeing Strategy is currently being shared with partners and stakeholders. It is planned to launch the Strategy in June following Cabinet on 8 June.

### **6 FINANCIAL, RESOURCE AND PROPERTY IMPLICATIONS**

- 6.1. 6.1 As projects and schemes are developed under the Strategy the financial, resource and property implications will be identified and appropriate development approvals obtained

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### **7 6.2 PUBLIC HEALTH CURRENTLY HAVE 8 PERFORMANCE INDICATORS (4 QUARTERLY AND 4 ANNUAL). THE APPROPRIATENESS OF THESE INDICATORS IS CURRENTLY UNDER REVIEW.LEGAL AND STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS**

- 7.1. The Health and Wellbeing Board is a statutory committee of the Council and must deliver a Joint Strategic Needs Assessment, a Health and Wellbeing Strategy and integration of health and social care

### **8 HUMAN RIGHTS, EQUALITIES AND COMMUNITY COHESION IMPLICATIONS**

- 8.1. The Health and Wellbeing Board has prioritised health inequalities within Merton

### **9 CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS**

- 9.1. One of the themes of the health and wellbeing strategy – Community Participation and Feeling Safe involves a focus on crime and perceptions of crime, especially in the more deprived part of the borough.

**10 RISK MANAGEMENT AND HEALTH AND SAFETY IMPLICATIONS**

**11** As projects and schemes are developed under this strategy Merton's Approach to Project Management (MAP) requires that project risks are identified, regularly reviewed and where appropriate mitigated. It is also envisaged that as part of MAP Health and Safety issues would be identified and progressed appropriately

**12 APPENDICES – THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS ARE TO BE PUBLISHED WITH THIS REPORT AND FORM PART OF THE REPORT**

- Appendix 1 Merton Health and Wellbeing DRAFT Strategy 2015-18

**13 BACKGROUND PAPERS**

13.1. None

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