





	Health and Wellbeing Board
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Title	Director of Public Health Annual Report
Report of	Director of Public Health and Prevention
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Enclosures	Appendix I – Director of Public Health report: Healthy Relationships
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# **Summary**

The role of the Director of Public Health (DPH) is to be an independent advocate for the health of the population and system leadership for its improvement and protection.

The independence is expressed through the statutory requirement to produce DPH Annual Report – an important vehicle for providing advice and recommendations on population health to both professionals and public – providing added value over and above intelligence and information routinely available (e.g. health profiles; Joint Strategic Needs Assessment etc).

This year the Annual Report from the Director of Public Health focuses on the Healthy Relationships and was co-produced with Youth Realities and young people.

# Recommendations

1. That the Board approve the recommendations set out in the Director of Public Health Annual Report 2018/19.

#### 1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

- 1.1 The Director of Public Health has a statutory duty to produce annual report on the state of population's health in the area they serve. This year, DPH Annual Report focuses on Healthy Relationships.
- 1.2 There is a lot of discussion in media, amongst frontline health and care staff, and schools accompanied by growing evidence of the effects of Adverse Childhood Events (ACE) in individuals under the age of 18. There is however less emphasis on the protected factors that build emotional and mental resilience early in life; a lifelong strong foundation.
- 1.3 This report aims to emphasise how important it is to focus on positive aspects of Healthy Relationships and highlight the voice of local children and young people. It is when we connect the evidence with local communities' voices that we can be well informed to improve health of the population.
- 1.4 The aim of the report is to recommend some actions for the Health and Wellbeing Board and wider partnership that would help improve the happiness and wellbeing of children and young people in Barnet.

#### 2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 Recommendations in the report will strengthen interventions on the ground including Sexual Relationship Education, build stronger mental and emotional resilience in children and young people and promote sexual health services in order to have equitable access to all residents.

#### 3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED

3.1 N/A

#### 4. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION

4.1 Recommendations from the report will be implemented and monitored by the HWB Commissioning Executive Group.

#### 5. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION

# 5.1 Corporate Priorities and Performance

Director of Public Health Annual Report on Healthy Relationships link to the current Corporate Plan, Barnet 2024, outcome to achieve happy, healthy independent lives with the most vulnerable protected and is in line with Health and Wellbeing Strategy Priorities.

# 5.2 Resources (Finance & Value for Money, Procurement, Staffing, IT, Property, Sustainability)

5.2.1 Production of the report and implementation of recommendations will be delivered within existing resources in Public Health Grant.

#### 5.3 **Social Value**

5.3.1 The Public Services (Social Value) Act 2013 requires people who commission public services to think about how they can also secure wider social, economic and environmental benefits. Before commencing a procurement process, commissioners should think about whether the services they are going to buy, or the way they are going to buy them, could secure these benefits for their area or stakeholders.

## 5.4 Legal and Constitutional References

- 5.4.1 The Health and Social Care Act 2012 (s30) added s.73A to the National Health Service Act 2006 requiring the appointment of a Director of Public Health. Under subsection s.73B (5), the Director is required to prepare an annual report on the health of the people in the area of the Local Authority and the Local Authority is required to publish this report.
- 5.4.2 In line with Article 7 of the Council Constitution, the terms of reference of the Health and Wellbeing Board includes the following responsibilities:
  - To jointly assess the health and social care needs of the population with NHS, commissioners, and apply the findings of a Barnet joint strategic needs assessment (JSNA) to all relevant strategies and policies.
  - To work together to ensure the best fit between available resources to meet the health and social care needs of the population of Barnet (including children), by both improving services for health and social care and helping people to move as close as possible to a state of complete physical, mental and social wellbeing. Specific resources to be overseen include money for social care being allocated through the NHS; dedicated public health budgets; the Better Care Fund; and Section 75 partnership agreements between the NHS and the Council
  - To promote partnership and, as appropriate, integration, across all necessary areas, including the use of joined-up commissioning plans across the NHS, social care and public health.
  - To explore partnership work across North Central London where appropriate.
  - Specific responsibility to oversee public health and promote prevention agenda across the partnership and develop further health and social care integration

#### 5.5 **Risk Management**

5.5.1 None identified.

#### 5.6 Equalities and Diversity

5.6.1 Healthy Relationships interventions will impact positively on children and young people and those from certain ethnic minorities. By consulting and engaging with appropriate communities and stakeholders, it is expected that a whole systems approach to Healthy Relationships will prevent unintended harms against marginalised groups and promote health equity.

# 5.7 Corporate Parenting

5.7.1 Whilst there is no direct impact on the council's corporate parenting role as a result of the Director of Public Health Annual report, the Healthy Relationships interventions provide opportunities to support the council's role as corporate parent through the health and wellbeing improvement interventions for children and young people residing in the borough.

# 5.8 **Consultation and Engagement**

5.8.1 Director of Public Health Annual Report was informed by projects conducted by children and young people living in Barnet.

## 5.9 **Insight**

5.9.1 Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and Public Health England fingertips were used to inform the report.

# 6. BACKGROUND PAPERS

6.1 N/A