

	<p align="center">Health and Wellbeing Board</p> <p align="center">21 January 2016</p>
Title	Motion from Full Council, Tackling the Growing Problem of Shisha
Report of	Head of Governance
Wards	All
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Summary
<p>The report informs the Health and Wellbeing Board of a Motion which was reported to Full Council on 8 December 2015. In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 23.5, if a Member's Motion is not deal with by the end of a Full Council meeting, it will be referred to the appropriate committee for consideration and any necessary action.</p>

Recommendations
<p>1. That the Health and Wellbeing Board instructions are required in relation to this item.</p>

1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

1.1 On Tuesday 8 December 2015 Councillor Helena Hart submitted an Administration Motion to Full Council as follows:

1.2 Tackling the Growing Problem of Shisha

- 1.2.1 Council notes that the popularity and consumption of Shisha has steadily increased in the UK over recent years and that the number of premises offering the substance in London has expanded by over 600% in the last six years.

Locally, there are twenty known Shisha businesses in the borough – an increase of over 50% compared to January 2014. Council notes that young people are more likely to be drawn into Shisha smoking if there are outlets operating near their homes or schools.

- 1.2.2 Council is very concerned about this trend given the serious impact Shisha smoking can have on people's health. The average Shisha smoking session lasts about an hour, during which time the smoker can inhale up to 200 times more smoke than from a cigarette. Council notes that the health effects are similar to those of other tobacco products, including increased risk of cancer, heart disease, respiratory disease and complications during pregnancy. In addition, Council notes that by users sharing the same mouthpiece there is the further risk of transmitting infectious diseases such as Tuberculosis.

- 1.2.3 Council believes that many people are unaware of the dangers of Shisha smoking and that current regulations are not stringent enough. Council was shocked that of thirteen premises inspected by Environmental Health in the last two months, ten were found not to be compliant, but notes that previous prosecutions proved costly, time-consuming and resulted in insufficient penalties to constitute an effective deterrent.

- 1.2.4 Whilst Council is clear that it does not wish to impose a total ban on the provision of Shisha in the Borough, in view of the overriding health considerations associated with its use, Council requests the appropriate officers to urgently investigate how local residents, especially young children, can best be educated about - and protected from - the harmful effects of Shisha. Council requests these investigations centre on Borough-wide educational campaigns led by Public Health, adherence to existing and possibly additional Planning and Licencing laws and, above all, far tougher enforcement and penalties for contravention of existing legislation.

- 1.3 Council's Constitution, Full Council Procedure Rule 23.5 states that:

If the Member's Motion is not dealt with by the end of the meeting, it will be referred to the appropriate Council Committee or sub-Committee for consideration and any necessary action. (However, if the proposer has specifically asked in his or her notice for the Motion to be voted on at that Council meeting it will be voted on without discussion).

- 1.5 The motion was not discussed or voted on at the Full Council meeting. Therefore the Health and Wellbeing Board are requested to consider the contents of the motion as set out in section 1.2 of this report and give instruction.

2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 No recommendations have been made. The Health and Wellbeing Board are therefore requested to give consideration to the motion and provide instruction.

3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED

- 3.1 Not applicable.

4. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION

- 4.1 Post decision implementation will depend on the decision agreed by the Board.

5. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION

5.1 Corporate Priorities and Performance

- 5.1.1 If the committee propose to action in relation to this motion, any actions arising will need to be evaluated against the Corporate Plan and other relevant policies such as the Health and Wellbeing Strategy.

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

- 5.2.1 None in the context of this report.

5.3 Social Value

- 5.3.1 None in the context of this report.

5.4 Legal and Constitutional References

- 5.4.1 Council Constitution, Full Council Procedure Rules (section 23.5) states if the Member's Motion is not dealt with by the end of the meeting, it will be referred to the appropriate Council Committee.
- 5.4.2 The Council's Constitution, Responsibility for Functions (Annex A) sets out the terms of reference for the Health and Wellbeing Board which includes:

- To receive assurance from all relevant commissioners and providers on matters relating to the quality and safety of service for users and patients.
- Specific responsibilities for:
 - Overseeing public health
 - Developing further health and social care integration.

5.4.3 There are no legal references in the context of this report.

5.5 **Risk Management**

5.5.1 None in the context of this report.

5.6 **Equalities and Diversity**

5.6.1 None in the context of this report.

5.7 **Consultation and Engagement**

5.7.1 All of these issues must be considered for their equalities and diversity implications.

5.8 **Insight**

5.8.1 None in the context of this report.

6. **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

6.1 Motion to Full Council, 8 December 2015:

<http://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s27832/Cllr%20H%20Hart%20-%20Tackling%20the%20Growing%20Problem%20of%20Shisha.pdf>