

Health and Wellbeing Board



Date of meeting:	14 September 2023
Title of Report:	Director of Public Health Annual Report
Lead Member:	Councillor Mrs Mary Aspinall (Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care)
Lead Strategic Director:	Ruth Harrell (Director of Public Health)
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Your Reference:	N/A
Key Decision:	No
Confidentiality:	Part I - Official

Purpose of Report

It is a requirement that the Director of Public Health sets out a report annually, covering a topic or topics of their choosing.

This year, my Annual Report sets out updates around Thrive Plymouth, our ten-year programme to tackle health inequalities. It considers a range of outcomes that we look at around health and wellbeing of the population, from how long people live, to how healthy their lives are.

It also contains a range of appendices, available online (rather than in the pack, due to length) which enable people to look at some of the services that are commissioned from the Public Health budget. Unfortunately, the report also notes the potential impact that the Cost of Living Crisis may have on health and wellbeing across Plymouth.

Recommendations and Reasons

It is recommended that the Board;

- Note the contents of the report, and in particular, the concerning impact of the cost of living crisis on health and wellbeing.
- Require the DPH to return to Cabinet in the Spring with a proposal for the future of Thrive Plymouth.

Alternative options considered and rejected

N/A - It is a requirement for the DPH to publish an annual report.

Relevance to the Corporate Plan and/or the Plymouth Plan

The DPH annual report summarises some of the work that has been carried out in the city under the Plymouth Plan, and reports on some of the success but also the challenges that may impact achievement of some of the Plymouth Plan aims around health and wellbeing.

Implications for the Medium Term Financial Plan and Resource Implications:

None

Financial Risks

None

Carbon Footprint (Environmental) Implications:

One of the areas for the action plan to address will be increased awareness of home energy efficiency measures which will improve the carbon footprint of the housing stock in the city.

Other Implications: e.g. Health and Safety, Risk Management, Child Poverty:

* When considering these proposals members have a responsibility to ensure they give due regard to the Council's duty to promote equality of opportunity, eliminate unlawful discrimination and promote good relations between people who share protected characteristics under the Equalities Act and those who do not.

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Appendices

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A	Director of Public Health Annual Report 2022							
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Background papers:

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Originating Senior Leadership Team member: Ruth Harrell

Please confirm the Strategic Director(s) has agreed the report? Yes

Date agreed: 24/07/2023

Cabinet Member approval: *Approved verbally by* – Councillor Mary Aspinall (Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care)

Date approved: 05/08/2023