

# Cabinet



Date of meeting:	11 November 2024
Title of Report:	<b>Director of Public Health Annual Report (Thrive Plymouth: A decade of impact, a future of possibilities)</b>
Lead Member:	Councillor Mary Aspinnall (Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care)
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Key Decision:	No
Confidentiality:	Part I - Official

## Purpose of Report

- Evaluate last ten years of Thrive Plymouth
- Propose strategy and plan for refresh (next ten years)
- Annual Director of Public Health report

## Recommendations and Reasons

1. Cabinet to endorse the report for publication as the annual Director of Public Health report and also publish and launch to the Thrive Plymouth network;  
*Reason: Report details successes and achievements of last ten years but acknowledges need for continued work on health inequalities across the city. A refresh of the Thrive Plymouth branding and widening of the approach to reflect work on body, mind, places and communities as wider determinants of health. No change to resourcing or risk (which are both minimal)*
2. Specific recommendations within the report are:
  - a. To refresh Thrive Plymouth for a further ten years;
  - b. To broaden the Thrive Plymouth framework to include Healthy Body, Healthy Mind, Healthy Places and Healthy Communities as integral to health;
  - c. To provide more structure to PCC public health team's leadership role in Thrive Plymouth.

## Alternative options considered and rejected

1. Publish the report but discontinue Thrive Plymouth – this would be contrary to the positive findings of the evaluation, and would indicate that health inequalities work was not required, which is not the case.

## Relevance to the Corporate Plan and/or the Plymouth Plan

Directly aligned with the Plymouth Plan, Devon ICB Long Term Conditions plan and the Climate Change Net Zero Action Plan, delivering elements which contribute to all of these objectives.

Thrive Plymouth is rooted in HEA1, 2 and 3 of the Plymouth Plan, and with future focus will link with work on health and social care needs for adults and children (HEA3), health-enabling transport (HEA6), optimising health through the natural environment (HEA7), and delivering accessible healthcare (HEA9). Further, Thrive Plymouth will link with other aspects of the Plymouth Plan that influence wider health including GRO7 (reducing carbon emissions and adapting to climate change), INT8 (celebrating diverse communities), and other objectives around sports, green city and education and learning.

In addition Thrive Plymouth provides an umbrella for other aspects of PCC public health work that are already in progress including; A compassionate approach to CYP health and weight: strategic action plan; Active to Thrive; work across the Health Determinants Research Collaboration (HDRC); Asset based community development; Ageing Well, and the work of the Community Empowerment team including health and wellbeing hubs and Community Builders.

### **Implications for the Medium Term Financial Plan and Resource Implications:**

Minimal financial inputs with no change to financial or other resourcing within the public health team

### **Financial Risks**

None – financial inputs to Thrive Plymouth are limited to PCC led networking events and staff time.

### **Carbon Footprint (Environmental) Implications:**

Thrive Plymouth is aligned with current PCC strategy on carbon footprint, and in time, Thrive Plymouth is likely to focus on the Net Zero agenda bringing specific benefits to how the city works to achieve more under this agenda.

### **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.*

Due to being an umbrella framework for many elements of public health work across the city, Thrive Plymouth will likely have a direct impact on all aspects of public health, including the wider determinants of health on topics as broad as child poverty and housing, linked to the impact of such topics on health and wellbeing. Being an integral part of the PCC public health team approach, Thrive Plymouth will be embedded with all of the established ways of working across PCC with regard to equality, ways of working and management of risk.

### **Appendices**

*\*Add rows as required to box below*

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### **Background papers:**

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Please list all unpublished, background papers relevant to the decision in the table below. Background papers are unpublished works, relied on to a material extent in preparing the report, which disclose facts or matters on which the report or an important part of the work is based.

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Originating Senior Leadership Team member: Ruth Harrell (Director of Public Health)											
Please confirm the Strategic Director(s) has agreed the report? Yes Date agreed: 30/09/2024											
Cabinet Member approval: Councillor Mary Aspinall (Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care) – approved by email Date approved: 30/10/2024											