

CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Health and Adult Social Care Scrutiny Committee

Date of Meeting:	10 th March 2011
Report of:	Erika Wenzel, Chief Executive
Subject/Title:	Public Health White Papers: Council's response to consultation

1.0 Report Summary

- 1.1 This report presents Scrutiny with draft responses to the three government consultations on the Public Health White Paper, for their consideration and input. The consultations are:
- Healthy Lives, Healthy People: Our Strategy for Public Health in England
 - Healthy Lives, Healthy People: Transparency in outcomes
 - Healthy Lives, Healthy People: Funding and commissioning routes for public health

2.0 Recommendations

- 2.1 That Scrutiny considers the attached draft responses to the three consultations on the Public Health White Paper, and provides comments/ amendments.
- 2.2 That officers be authorised to develop and finalise the responses based on Scrutiny's input, ready for submission to the Portfolio Holder.

3.0 Reasons for Recommendations

- 3.1 The deadline for responses is 31st March 2011.

4.0 Wards and Local Ward Members Affected

- 4.1 The health reforms have application to the council as a whole - all wards and ward members are affected.

5.0 Policy Implications

- 5.1 The public health reforms, as discussed in these consultation papers, has relevance for the Sustainable Community Strategy. The reforms will influence the council's methods of achieving the strategy's aims.

6.0 Financial Implications

- 6.1 These consultation papers discuss the health premium, to determine the formula that will be used to financially reward councils for achieving good public health outcomes. The council's response to these papers therefore has relevance for future income.

7.0 Legal Implications

- 7.1 There are no legal implications for the submission of a response to government consultation.

8.0 Risk Management

- 8.1 There are no risk management implications for the submission of a response to government consultation.

9.0 Background and Options

- 9.1 A summary of each government paper's main points is provided with each response, attached.
- 9.2 The Public Health White Paper was issued on 30th November 2010, and provides the basis for the transfer of responsibility for public health from PCTs to local authorities by 2013.
- 9.3 The *Transparency in outcomes* consultation document sets out proposals to put in place a new strategic outcomes framework for public health at national and local levels.
- 9.4 The *Funding and commissioning routes for public health* consultation document consults on which organisation should be the lead commissioner for specific services and on aspects of funding, such as how the health premium should work.

10.0 Attachments

Paper 1: Cheshire East Council Response to Consultation - Healthy lives, Healthy people: Our strategy for public health in England

Paper 2: Cheshire East Council Response to Consultation - Healthy lives, Healthy people: Transparency in Outcomes

Paper 3: Cheshire East Council Response to Consultation - Healthy lives, Healthy people: consultation on the funding and commissioning routes for public health

11.0 Access to Information

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