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| <b>DECISION-MAKER:</b>        | HEALTH OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL                        |  |                           |
| <b>SUBJECT:</b>               | THE IMPACT OF HOMELESSNESS ON THE HEALTH OF SINGLE PEOPLE |  |                           |
| <b>DATE OF DECISION:</b>      | 25 SEPTEMBER 2014   |  |                           |
| <b>REPORT OF:</b>             | ASSISTANT CHIEF EXECUTIVE                                 |  |                           |
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| <b>STATEMENT OF CONFIDENTIALITY</b> |
| None                                |

### **BRIEF SUMMARY**

The Health Overview and Scrutiny Panel undertook an Inquiry into the Impact of Homelessness on the Health of Single People between February and July 2014. During this time the Panel heard from a wide range of witnesses and visited a number of the homeless housing services. The issues identified and recommendations of the Panel are presented in the draft report attached in Appendix 1.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- (i) That the Panel considers the draft report and agrees the recommendations for submission to Cabinet in October.

### **REASONS FOR REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. As part of the HOSP's terms of reference the panel has a role to undertake inquiries and report their recommendations to Cabinet.

### **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED**

2. None

### **DETAIL (Including consultation carried out)**

3. The Impact of Homelessness on the Health of Single People Inquiry Terms of Reference and Inquiry Plan were agreed by the Health Overview and Scrutiny Panel on undertaken 23 January 2014. The terms of reference and Inquiry Plan are attached as Appendix 1 & 2.
4. The Panel undertook the inquiry over 5 evidence gathering meetings from February to May 2014. During this time the panel heard from a wide range of witnesses as well visiting a number of housing providers to speak first hand to staff, residents and service users. The Panel's draft findings and recommendations are attached as Appendix 3
5. The report has been sent out to all the witnesses to give feedback and any suggested amendments or comments received will be reported to the Panel verbally at the meeting.

6. The Panel are asked to consider the draft report and recommendations on the Impact of Homelessness on the Health of Single People for submission to Cabinet on 21st October 2014.

**RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

**Capital/Revenue**

7. None

**Property/Other**

8. None

**LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

**Statutory power to undertake proposals in the report:**

- 9 The powers and duties of health scrutiny are set out in the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2003.

**Other Legal Implications:**

10. None

**POLICY FRAMEWORK IMPLICATIONS**

11. None

**KEY DECISION?** No

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| <b>WARDS/COMMUNITIES AFFECTED:</b> | ALL |
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**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION**

**Appendices**

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| 1. | Inquiry Terms of Reference and Inquiry Plan                                |
| 2. | Draft report for the Impact of Homelessness on the Health of Single People |

**Documents In Members' Rooms**

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**Equality Impact Assessment**

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| Do the implications/subject of the report require an Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) to be carried out. | No |
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**Other Background Documents**

**Equality Impact Assessment and Other Background documents available for inspection at:**

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| Title of Background Paper(s) | Relevant Paragraph of the Access to Information Procedure Rules / Schedule 12A allowing document to be Exempt/Confidential (if applicable) |
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