Health Overview and Scrutiny Panel: Monitoring Recommendations

Scrutiny Monitoring – 24th August 2017

Date	Title	Action proposed	Action Taken	Progress Status
29/06/17	Hampshire and IOW STP: Delivery Plan	That clarification is provided to the Panel of the decision making process required to introduce fluoride into the water supply and the role that the Health and Wellbeing Board would play in this decision.	A decision to introduce fluoride into the water supply in Southampton and some neighbouring areas would ultimately need to be taken by Full Council following wide consultation with residents. The law has changed in recent years and when last considered the Council was a consultee NOT decision maker.	
			Fluoridation proposals were last considered and rejected by Full Council in September 2011. http://www.southampton.gov.uk/modernGov/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cld=122&MId=2029&Ver=4	
			The current law requires ALL the authorities whose residents would be affected to take the decision so the decision would also need to be taken with neighbouring authorities who share the same water supply as Southampton and would not be effective unless by weighted voting 67% of those in favour do so. It is a complex legal process and a joint committee is required to be set up to oversee the project.	
			 A very comprehensive consultation programme is required, based by supporting professional evidence prior to any proposal being considered by those Councils affected. When the matter was last considered neither HOSP nor the HWBB were in 	

That the draft Southampton City Local	place, Council was the consultee. The Health and Wellbeing Board has responsibility for developing the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) and the Health and Wellbeing Strategy. The Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2017-2025 was agreed by the Board, and by Full Council in March 2017. This strategy does not recommend fluoridation or any other specific actions in relation to dental health in the period 2017-2025. The Health and Wellbeing Board receive regular updates on the JSNA which provides evidence to support any actions of the Board. Any Member of the Health and Wellbeing Board can, in agreement with the Chair, put forward a paper for discussion for discussion by the Board. All papers must be published one week before the meeting. The Health and Wellbeing Board can, in agreement with the Chair, agree to make a recommendation on fluoridation based on their evidence, which would be put forward to Full Council for consideration. Circulated to the Panel on 14th July 2017	Completed
Delivery System Plan is circulated to the HOSP	Official Country and 14 July 2017	Completed