

DECISION-MAKER:	COUNCIL	
SUBJECT:	ANNUAL PUBLIC HEALTH REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH 2020/21	
DATE OF DECISION:	21 JULY 2021	
REPORT OF:	DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH FOR SOUTHAMPTON CITY COUNCIL	
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STATEMENT OF CONFIDENTIALITY		
N/A		
BRIEF SUMMARY		
<p>Delivery of an annual public health report from the Director of Public Health is a statutory responsibility for local authorities. This year, Southampton's annual public health report is a short video highlighting Southampton's response to the greatest health protection threat of our time; the covid-19 pandemic.</p> <p>The justification for a focus on covid-19 response in this year's report was to formally recognise the impact, activities and indeed sacrifices made by so many to keep Southampton safe during the time of the pandemic. It also supports covid-19 recovery through a focus on reducing health inequalities as the recommendation.</p> <p>The Public health annual report 2020/ 21 page is now live on the main council site. The video was recorded in May 2021. It can be accessed through : https://www.southampton.gov.uk/phar2021/ under the video there is a short summary of what is covered under the different headings.</p>		
RECOMMENDATIONS:		
	(i)	To receive the Director of Public Health's annual report for 2020/21
	(ii)	To recognise the recommendation from the Director of Public Health for a focus on reducing health inequalities as a priority in covid-19 recovery.
REASONS FOR REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS		
1.	Delivery of an annual public health report from the Director of Public Health is a statutory responsibility for local authorities.	
2.	Director of Public Health's recommendation to prioritise reduction in health inequalities in recovery is in recognition of covid-19 having a disproportionate impact on those who are most vulnerable in our population. To work towards 'Health in all policies' to combat health inequalities across the City.	

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED	
3.	N/A
DETAIL (Including consultation carried out)	
4.	Directors of Public Health in England have a statutory duty to provide an annual public health report to highlight the state of health within their communities. It is an opportunity to advocate on behalf of the health of the population.
5.	Southampton's previous annual public health reports are published on Southampton's data observatory : https://data.southampton.gov.uk/needs-assessments/dph-reports/
6.	This year's report is a short video of our experience of covid-19. Using this medium provides an opportunity to test a different approach to meeting the annual public health report objective of 'holding a mirror to the population's health and wellbeing experience' and advocating for change. The final recommendation is advocating for a focus on reducing rising health (and wellbeing) inequalities associated with covid-19 in our covid-19 recovery plans and future strategic approach.
7.	The video link will be published alongside previous annual public health reports on the Southampton data observatory. The report will also be considered by the Health and Wellbeing Board at their next formal meeting.
RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS	
<u>Capital/Revenue</u>	
8.	The Annual Public Health Report is complete and requires no further resources. The recommendation within the report to reduce increasing health inequalities should be considered in light of any potential overall policy, strategy and governance. The health and wellbeing board will be the primary partnership board supporting promotion of the report and delivery of the recommendation.
<u>Property/Other</u>	
9.	N/A
LEGAL IMPLICATIONS	
<u>Statutory power to undertake proposals in the report:</u>	
10.	The Local Authorities' statutory responsibilities for public health are set out in the Health and Care Act 2012. The Act requires each upper-tier local authority, acting jointly with the secretary of state, to appoint a Director of Public Health whose role is integral to the duties for health improvement and protection.
11.	An independent Director of Public Health Annual Report is a mandated public health function.
<u>Other Legal Implications:</u>	
12.	N/A
RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS	
13.	N/A

POLICY FRAMEWORK IMPLICATIONS	
14.	N/A
KEY DECISION?	No
WARDS/COMMUNITIES AFFECTED:	All wards
<u>SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION</u>	
Appendices	
1.	None
Documents In Members' Rooms	
1.	None
Equality Impact Assessment	
Do the implications/subject of the report require an Equality and Safety Impact Assessment (ESIA) to be carried out.	No
Data Protection Impact Assessment	
Do the implications/subject of the report require a Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA) to be carried out.	No
Other Background Documents	
Other Background documents available for inspection at:	
Title of Background Paper(s)	Relevant Paragraph of the Access to Information Procedure Rules / Schedule 12A allowing document to be Exempt/Confidential (if applicable)
1.	None