

HEALTH & WELLBEING BOARD

Subject Heading:	Annual Public Health Report 2022
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The subject matter of this report deals with the following themes of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy The wider determinants of health	

- Increase employment of people with health problems or disabilities
- Develop the Council and NHS Trusts as anchor institutions that consciously seek to maximise the health and wellbeing benefit to residents of everything they do.
- Prevent homelessness and minimise the harm caused to those affected, particularly rough sleepers and consequent impacts on the health and social care system.

Lifestyles and behaviours

- The prevention of obesity
- Further reduce the prevalence of smoking across the borough and particularly in disadvantaged communities and by vulnerable groups
- Strengthen early years providers, schools and colleges as health improving settings
- The communities and places we live in
 - Realising the benefits of regeneration for the health of local residents and the health and social care services available to them
 - Targeted multidisciplinary working with people who, because of their life experiences, currently make frequent contact with a range of statutory services that are unable to fully resolve their underlying problem.
- Local health and social care services
 - Development of integrated health, housing and social care services at locality level.



SUMMARY

The Director of Public Health has a statutory duty to produce an annual public health report looking at the health of the community in which they work.

The 2022 Report focuses on the pandemic – from the perspective of the Council.

It describes the course of the pandemic in the form of a timeline highlighting key events in the national and local response. Local campaigns and comms messages are shown on the timeline to illustrate what was going on in Havering at that point. Brief articles written by colleagues involved in direct aspects of the response provide more detail.

The report acknowledges the contribution of a huge number of colleagues during the pandemic.

It also highlights learning that will help the Health and Wellbeing Board and the Havering Place Based Borough Partnership tackle the equally huge challenges ahead such as closing the 7 year difference in life expectancy between residents living in the most and least disadvantaged communities within the borough or reducing the proportion (2/3rd) of adults who are obese or overweight.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The HWB is asked to note the following learning from the pandemic:

- What can be achieved if we succeed in mobilising the whole of civil society

 the community and voluntary sector, local businesses, schools and colleges, other statutory partners, all elements of the Council, as well as health and social care.
- 2. If we are to reduce health inequalities we must continue with our existing strategy and
 - Address the wider determinants of health
 - The communities in which we live
 - Our Lifestyles and behaviours
 - As well as ensuring access to high quality health and care services
- 3. The same service offer to all communities will not achieve equality of outcomes. We must develop the means to allow residents to shape the delivery of services to meet their needs and preferences. To this end, investment in community engagement is essential.
- 4. The pandemic demonstrated how much more partners can achieve together if they are able to share information. The dispensation that



None

allowed information to be shared simply and quickly has since been withdrawn. Data sharing or the lack of it remains a significant barrier to the

development of integrated health and care services. **REPORT DETAIL** A presentation will be made to the HWB and the full report will be published on line afterwards. **IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS** None directly arising from this report **BACKGROUND PAPERS**