



Leicester  
City Council

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**FORWARD TIMETABLE OF CONSULTATION AND MEETINGS:**

**Health Scrutiny Committee**  
**Cabinet**

**29 March 2011**  
**11 April 2011**

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**IMPROVING HEALTH IN LEICESTER: THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF  
PUBLIC HEALTH 2010**

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**Report of the Director of Public Health and Health Improvement**

**1. PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.1 Currently, within the NHS, there is a requirement for the Director of Public Health and Health Improvement to produce an independent annual report on the health of the population. It is regarded as an essential component of the commissioning cycle and a key part of the evidence of assessment of need of the population.
- 1.2 In future, it is expected that this will become a requirement of the Director of Public Health within the Local Authority.

**2. SUMMARY**

- 2.1 Each year the Director of Public Health and Health Improvement is required to produce a report on the state of health of the population. This is an independent professional report and aims to:
- Inform the Board of NHS Leicester City, Leicester City Council and other partners about the health of the resident population of Leicester, identifying areas for improvement, particularly where health concerns depend on coordinated action from many agencies to tackle them
  - Provide information on health needs to inform the planning and commissioning of healthcare, health protection and health improvement by relevant agencies
  - Act as a source of epidemiological information about the population of the city for comparison over time and with other places
- 2.2 Improving Health in Leicester: the Annual Report of the Director of Public Health and Health Improvement 2010 has a health inequalities theme and has the following sections:

- Update on the Annual Report of the Director of Public Health and Health Improvement 2009
- Health Inequalities
- Infant Mortality
- Health-related behaviour, knowledge and attitudes in Leicester
- Health Protection
- Health Facts

2.3 This report is only being published electronically, in Adobe Acrobat format on the Internet, and as such, the Cabinet copies have been printed in-house.

2.4 The Director of Public Health Annual Report was considered at the meeting of the NHS City Trust Board on 10 March 2011 and it was recommended that the DPH should provide a development session or workshop at a suitable future date to which key colleagues in the local authority and the City GP Consortium should be invited.

### 3. RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 Members are asked to:

- a) **RECEIVE** the Annual Report of the Director of Public Health and Health Improvement 2010 and to note that there will be a more detailed workshop to be held later in the year.

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| <b>Reason</b>                        | N/A                 |
| <b>Appeared in Forward Plan</b>      | N/A                 |
| <b>Executive or Council Decision</b> | Executive (Cabinet) |