

Committee(s)	Dated:
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Subject: Annual Report of the Director of Public Health: Health in Mind	Public
Report of: Director of Public Health	For Information

Summary

Health in Mind is the Annual Report of the Director of Public Health for 2014/15. It focuses on mental health in the City of London and Hackney.

Recommendation(s)

Members are asked to:

- Note the Annual Report of the Director of Public Health, *Health in Mind*.

Main Report

Background

1. The Health and Social Care Act 2012 states that “the Director of Public Health for a local authority must prepare an annual report on the health of the people in the area of the local authority”.

Current Position

2. *Health in Mind* is the Annual Report of the Director for Public Health. Copies have been distributed to HWB Members and the report is also available online: <http://www.hackney.gov.uk/Assets/Documents/Public-Health-Annual-Report-2014-15.pdf>
3. The report focuses on mental health in the City and Hackney. Mental health is a key issue, with one in four people experiencing a mental health problem at some point in their lives, and the government seeking to give equal weight to mental health and physical health. The report discusses the the underlying causes and consequences of poor mental health, and describes the particular issues for different groups in the City and Hackney: children and young people, adults, older people and the issues around substance misuse.
4. The report also describes the achievements Public Health has made over the past year, and the priorities for the coming year.

Conclusion

5. Members are asked to note the Annual Report of the Director of Public Health, *Health in Mind*.

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