

<b>Committee:</b>	<b>Date:</b>
Health and Social Care Scrutiny Sub Committee	19 May 2014
<b>Subject:</b> Annual Report of the Director of Public Health – Health at the Heart of the Community	<b>Public</b>
<b>Report of:</b> Director of Community and Children’s Services	<b>For Information</b>
<b>Summary</b>	
<p>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”.</p> <p>The attached report <i>Health at the Heart of the Community</i> is the Annual Report of the Director of Public Health for Hackney and City of London 2013/14.</p> <p><b>Recommendation(s)</b></p> <p>Members are asked to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Note the Report of the Director of Public Health - <i>Health at the Heart of the Community</i>.</li> </ul>	

## Main Report

### **Background**

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**

*Health at the Heart of the Community* is the Annual Report of the Director of Public Health.

Alongside an introduction and overview of the local healthcare system following the recent reforms, the report covers the following issues which reflect the priorities of the health and wellbeing boards in both local authorities.

- Tackling Health Inequality
- A Smokefree Future
- Healthy Weight
- Mental Health

- Dementia
- Air Quality

The Report also includes a chapter, *Delivering Local Public Health Services*, on the mandated services required by the Health and Social Care Act 2012 to be provided, or commissioned, by public health departments in local authorities.

### **Proposals**

The report does not include any proposals, though it highlights some areas where health could be improved, eg stop smoking, reducing weight and increasing exercise.

### **Implications**

There are no financial implications of this report.

### **Conclusion**

COG is asked to note the Report of the Director of Public Health - *Health at the Heart of the Community*

### **Appendix**

1. Health at the Heart of the Community – The Annual Report of the Director of Public Health for London Borough of Hackney and the City of London Corporation 2013/14

### **Background Papers:**

None

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