

SEVENOAKS DISTRICT HEALTH INEQUALITIES ACTION PLAN - END OF YEAR SUMMARY REPORT AND DRAFT 2015-18 PLAN

Cabinet – 15 October 2015

Report of	Chief Officer Communities & Business
Status:	For Consideration
Also considered by:	Health Liaison Board - 16 September 2015 Housing & Health Advisory Committee – 22 September 2015
Key Decision:	Yes

Executive Summary: The 2014/15 annual summary report of the Sevenoaks District 'Mind the Gap' Health Inequalities Action Plan for Members to note. Draft 2015-18 Sevenoaks District Health Inequalities Action Plan for Members to consider and adopt.

This report supports the Key Aim of reducing health inequalities and improve health and wellbeing for all

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Recommendation to Health Liaison Board:

Members are asked to note the report

Recommendation to Housing and Health Advisory Committee:

Members are asked to note the 'Mind the Gap' Health Inequalities Action Plan and consider and recommend to Cabinet that the Draft 2015 – 18 Sevenoaks District Health Inequalities Action Plan be adopted.

Recommendation to Cabinet:

That Cabinet consider and adopt the Draft 2015 – 2018 Sevenoaks District Health Inequalities Action Plan.

Reason for recommendation: The 2014-15 annual report summaries actions taken by Health Action Team partners. Adoption of the new three year Plan to continue the work of reducing health inequalities across the District.

Introduction and Background

- 1 In 2013, all District Councils in Kent were asked to produce an action plan based on a County-wide template to deliver local objectives with partners to reduce health inequalities in each district.
- 2 At facilitated 'Mind the Gap' workshops in 2013, partners identified priorities under each objective, detailed at point 7, and measurable actions for partners to deliver where developed for this District based on the statistical data, health profiles and local knowledge.
- 3 Members will recall that the Sevenoaks District 'Mind the Gap' Health Inequalities Action Plan was considered by Members at the Health Liaison Board on 11 September 2013 and Economic & Community Development Advisory Committee on 24 October 2013. The Plan was then adopted by Members at Cabinet on 5 December 2013.
- 4 The Sevenoaks District Health Inequalities Action Plan is a two year plan running from 2013-2015 and is delivered through the Health Action Team partnership, co-ordinated by this Council. The partnership meets quarterly and includes key partners from across the District who are delivering actions set out in the plan to improve the health and wellbeing of residents.
- 5 Partners on the Health Action Team include Kent County Council, West Kent Housing Association, SDC Housing, town and parish Councils, Kent Community Health Trust, Children Centres, Learning Disability Partnership, Age UK, Sevenoaks MIND, Seniors Action Forum, Sencio Community Leisure, Voluntary Action Within Kent, North West Kent Countryside Partnership, West Kent Extra, West Kent and DGS CCG's, Alzheimer's and Dementia Support Services, South East Dance and Moat Housing.

2013-15 Sevenoaks District Health Inequalities Action Plan Overview

- 6 The two year Plan provides a framework and tools to identify, analyse and evaluate actions that can contribute to reducing health inequalities in the Sevenoaks District.
- 7 The Action Plan sets out six objectives to reduce health inequalities across the District:
 - Give every child the best start in life;
 - Enable all children, young people and adults to maximise their capabilities and have control over their lives;
 - Create fair employment and good work for all;
 - Ensure a healthy standard of living for all;
 - Create and develop healthy and sustainable places and communities;
 - Strengthen the role and impact of ill health prevention.

- 8 The progress of partnerships actions collected as part of this Action Plan is collated quarterly to contribute to delivering the health and wellbeing priorities in the Sevenoaks District Community Plan.

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- 9 Sevenoaks District Council is responsible for monitoring the Action Plan in partnership with the Health Action Team. Monitoring data is collected from partners and reported at the quarterly Health Action Team meetings. The Action Plan uses a traffic light system to measure progress as follows:

- Green – on target or exceeded target
- Yellow – target not achieved, requires some remedial action
- Red – Unlikely to be achieved
- Purple – Data missing

- 10 The two year action plan contains 56 actions. A target within the Communities and Business Service Plan was set for over 80% of actions on target. The annual monitoring summary for 2014/15 at Appendix A shows the following:

Green	82%
Yellow	7%
Red	2%
Purple	9%

- 11 2% of the actions are red. These were identified by the SDC housing team as a development issue that was outside the District Council’s control, causing a number of schemes to be delayed. These will be included in the higher target number for 2015/16. This summary shows that 9% of the actions had some data missing (marked in purple) at the end of 2014/15 and we continue to work with partners during 2015/16 to collect measureable data for these actions. The progress made against the actions can be found on pages 5 and 6 of Appendix B.

Moving Forward

- 12 When we compare our 2015 Health Profile to that of 2012 there have been improvements as follows:

- A reduction in the number of children living in poverty
- Increases in male and female life expectancies
- A decrease in the life expectancy gap between the most and least deprived men, from 4.5 years to 3.2, which is a reduction of 1.3 years

- A decrease in the percentage of children in Year 6 who are obese
- Decreases in hospital stays for alcohol related harm and self-harm

However, through the same profiles we are also seeing:

- An increase in numbers killed or seriously injured on our roads
- Increases in smoking related deaths, excess winter deaths and hip fractures
- Increases in recorded diabetes and malignant melanoma
- An increase in drug use and in alcohol specific hospital stays for the under 18s

13 With the current two year Mind the Gap Plan at an end, Officers have reviewed the priorities to develop a new three year action plan (2015-18). The priorities are:

- Promoting healthy weight for children
- Support older people to keep them safe, independent and leading fulfilling lives
- Support businesses to have healthy workplaces
- Meet the housing needs of people living in the District including affordable and appropriate housing
- Sustain and support healthy communities
- Reduce the gap in health inequalities across the social gradient

14 Deliverable and measurable actions relating to these priorities identified within each section of the new plan will be monitored by Officers and reported quarterly to the Health Action Plan partners.

Key Implications

Financial

15 Sevenoaks District Council received £130,741 from Kent County Council in 2015/16 for the co-ordination and delivery of health prevention programmes by this Council, through a Service Level Agreement. Further funding for 2016/17 has not yet been confirmed by KCC.

Legal Implications and Risk Assessment Statement.

16 There are no legal implications relating to this report

Equality Assessment

- 17 Members are reminded of the requirement, under the Public Sector Equality Duty (section 149 of the Equality Act 2010) to have due regard to (i) eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Equality Act 2010, (ii) advance equality of opportunity between people from different groups, and (iii) foster good relations between people from different groups. The impact has been analysed and does not vary between groups of people. The decisions recommended through this paper are the result of a wide-ranging health impact assessment and the action plan responds to the identified needs.

Resources (non financial)

- 18 Staff to co-ordinate and facilitate the health projects are paid from the funding that this Council receives from Kent County Council Public Health Directorate.

Conclusions

- 19 Members are asked to note the contents of the 2014/15 annual summary report for the 2013-15 Sevenoaks District Health Inequalities Action Plan at Appendix A.
- 20 Members are asked to consider and adopt the new 2015-18 Sevenoaks District 'Mind the Gap' Health Inequalities Action Plan at Appendix B.

Appendices

Appendix A –2014/15 Annual Summary Report

Appendix B – 2015-18 Sevenoaks District Health Inequalities Plan

Background Papers:

[Sevenoaks District Community Plan](#)

[2013-15 Sevenoaks District 'Mind the Gap' Health Inequalities Plan](#)

Health Impact Assessment

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