

MEETING	B&NES HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD
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Report title	B&NES Health Protection Board Annual Report
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List of attachments	Appendix 1: B&NES Health Protection Board Annual Report 2014/15 Appendix 2: B&NES Health Protection Board Terms of Reference
Background papers	N/A
Summary	<p>In April 2013 the Health and Social Care Regulations changed the statutory responsibility for health protection arrangements. B&NES Council acquired new responsibilities with regard to protecting the health of their population. Specifically the Director of Public Health (DPH), on behalf of the local authority has to assure himself that relevant organisations have appropriate plans in place to protect the population against a range of threats and hazards and to ensure that necessary action is being taken.</p> <p>The Health Protection Board was established in November 2013 to help fulfil this role.</p> <p>This annual report documents the progress made by the Health Protection Board and identifies priorities for the next 12 months.</p>
Recommendations	<p>That the B&NES Health & Wellbeing Board notes this annual report and the following priorities for the Health Protection Board for 2015/16.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ensure that Local Health Resilience Partnership/Local Resilience Forum plans are effectively operationalised for B&NES by; <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Sign-off the B&NES Health Protection Incident Control Plan to agree roles and responsibilities, identify gaps and practical solutions to ensure preparedness and response. b) Identify lessons learned from outbreaks and incidents and

	<p>implement actions plans.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Help to ensure resilience of Health Emergency Planning in B&NES 3. Support the development of Air Quality Action Plans (AQAPs) for Saltford & Keynsham. 4. Improve the uptake in all childhood immunisation programmes. 5. Improve the uptake of flu vaccinations in target groups. 6. Continue to monitor performance in specialist areas, identify risks and ensure mitigation is in place and escalate as necessary.
Rationale for recommendations	<p>The priorities have been jointly agreed by all Board members as key issues that need to be addressed in order for the DPH, on behalf of the local authority to be assured that suitable arrangements are in place in B&NES to protect the health of the population. This is systematically carried out by monitoring key performance indicators, maintaining a risk log and through intelligence, debriefs of outbreaks and incidents and work plans of the Local Health Resilience Partnership & Local Resilience Forum which are based on Community Risk Registers.</p> <p>The recommendations contribute to the delivery of these outcomes in the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy:</p> <p>Theme 1 - Helping people to stay healthy: Create healthy and sustainable places, by improving the air quality in B&NES.</p> <p>Theme 3 – Creating fairer life chances by increasing the resilience of people and communities, by ensuring preparedness for outbreaks of diseases and environmental incidents and hazards as well as ensuring individuals immunity to a number of diseases through immunisation and protect the wider population through herd immunity.</p>
Resource implications	None
Statutory considerations and basis for proposal	<p>This is a statutory role of the Director of Public Health acting on behalf of the Secretary of State.</p> <p>A number of the priorities will help to address health inequalities. In particular improving uptake of flu vaccination in at risk groups and improving coverage of MMR immunisation.</p> <p>Improving air quality in B&NES will directly impact and health and inequalities, sustainability and the natural environment.</p>
Consultation	<p>Dr Bruce Laurence, Director of Public Health B&NES Council Becky Reynolds, Consultant in Public Health B&NES Council Cllr Vic Pritchard, Cabinet Member Adult Social Care & Health Ashley Ayre, Strategic Director: People & Communities</p>

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Risk management	A risk assessment related to the issue and recommendations has been undertaken, in compliance with the Council's decision making risk management guidance.

THE REPORT

See Appendix 1.

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