

Report to: Cabinet



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Annual Review of Public Health priority actions 2020-21

Report summary:

Each year we review our work and summarise how we met the targets and aspirations of our Public Health Strategic Plan.

The Annual Review of Public Health activities in 2020-21 looks back at the year which covered the COVID-19 pandemic. The pandemic shone a light on health inequalities and their impact, and highlighted the close connections between our health and the economy. The Review summarises how teams from across the council worked together in a joined-up approach over that difficult year, in many cases taking on new roles to support residents during the pandemic. It celebrates our efforts during this exceptional time and our commitment to activities which all aimed to make a positive difference to people's physical health and mental wellbeing across East Devon.

Is the proposed decision in accordance with:

Budget Yes No

Policy Framework Yes No

Recommendation:

That Cabinet note the contribution made by our services through activities reviewed annually which underpin our Public Health Strategic Plan.

Reason for recommendation:

This Annual Review is recommended to help ensure that staff and members keep health inequalities uppermost in mind, so that they make the best possible use of resources and assist our communities to live and thrive together.

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Portfolio(s) (check which apply):

- Climate Action and Emergency Response
- Coast, Country and Environment
- Council and Corporate Co-ordination
- Democracy, Transparency and Communications
- Economy and Assets
- Finance
- Strategic Planning
- Sustainable Homes and Communities
- Tourism, Sports, Leisure and Culture

Equalities impact High Impact

This Annual Review of 2020-21 demonstrates how teams from across the council worked together in a joined-up approach over that difficult year, to support the health and wellbeing of our residents during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Climate change Low Impact

Risk: Low Risk;

Links to background information

[Annual Review of Public Health priority actions 2020-21](#)

[Public Health Strategic Plan 2019-23](#)

Link to [Council Plan](#)

Priorities (check which apply)

- Better homes and communities for all
 - A greener East Devon
 - A resilient economy
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[Annual Review of Public Health priority actions 2020-21](#)

1. The COVID-19 pandemic shone a light on health inequalities and their impact, and highlighted just how interconnected are health and the economy.
 2. Our brief review of activities supporting health and wellbeing covers this extraordinary year encompassing the pandemic. It has been compiled primarily from the key achievements reported in [East Devon District Council's Service Plans for 2021/22](#).
 3. The Review is not intended to be a comprehensive list of all activities performed in 2020-21, it provides a flavour of work by each of our services.
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Financial implications:

There are no direct financial implications from the recommendation in this report.

Legal implications:

There are no specific legal implications requiring comment.