

**REPORT TO:** Safer Halton Policy and Performance Board  
**DATE:** 17<sup>th</sup> March 2009  
**REPORTING OFFICER:** Strategic Director Health and Community  
**SUBJECT:** Approaches to Alcohol Treatment  
**WARDS:** Borough-wide

## **1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

1.1 To introduce a presentation on the Primary Care Trust's (PCT) approach to alcohol treatment services in Halton.

## **2.0 RECOMMENDATION: That**

- (1) The presentation be received.
- (2) Members of the PPB comment on/question the PCT on its approach to alcohol treatment in Halton.

## **3.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

3.1 At a previous meeting the Board recognised that alcohol abuse is a major issue. To fully understand the situation in Halton, it asked if the PCT could be invited to a meeting to outline the situation in Halton, and how the PCT was responding to it.

## **4.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 None

## **5.0 OTHER IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 None

## **6.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES**

6.1 Children and Young People in Halton

Under age drinking are the social and family problems caused by alcohol abuse could impact on young people.

6.2 Employment, Learning and Skills

None

6.3 A Healthy Halton

Alcohol related illness is a major issue nationally.

#### 6.4 A Safer Halton

Acts of criminal behaviour or anti-social behaviour can stem from alcohol misuse.

#### 6.5 Halton's Urban Renewal

The built environment can suffer as a consequence of alcohol excesses.

### **7.0 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES**

7.1 None identified.

### **8.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972.**

8.1 None under the meaning of the Act.