

REPORT TO: Health Policy and Performance Board

DATE: 20th June 2017

REPORTING OFFICER: Strategic Director - People

PORTFOLIO: Health and Wellbeing

SUBJECT: Scrutiny Topic 17/18: Health Improvement Team (HITs)

WARD(S) Borough-wide

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 To present the Board with details of the Health Improvement Team scrutiny topic as outlined in the attached topic brief.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION: That:

- i) Not the contents of the report;
- ii) Approve the Topic Brief outlined at Appendix 1; and
- iii) Notify Members of the Board of Scrutiny Topic Working Group meeting dates (Appendix 2) and make a call to action for nominees.

3.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

3.1 The Health Improvement Team encompasses a divisional section within the Council's workforce which operate an integrated wellness service across health and social care priorities. Services offered cover wide remit of activity on a cradle to grave approach. They are encapsulated into three areas of provision: Start Well, Live Well and Age Well.

3.2 The HITs division is a relatively new undertaking to the Council, devolved as part of Public Health duties.

3.3 This topic will primarily focus on adults' services offered through the division. It will examine to scale and range of intervention available with a view to evaluating their effectiveness.

3.4 The Care Act 2014 has placed new focus on the concept of 'Wellbeing' and provides scope for opportunities to 'prevent' and 'delay' the need for care and support. The topic will assess HITs role in this proactive approach to health and social care.

4.0 **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 The recommendations from the scrutiny topic review may result in a need to review associated policies and procedures.

5.0 **OTHER/FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 None identified

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

6.1 **Children & Young People in Halton**

None identified.

6.2 **Employment, Learning & Skills in Halton**

None identified.

6.3 **A Healthy Halton**

The remit of the Health Policy and Performance Board is directly linked to this priority.

6.4 **A Safer Halton**

None identified.

6.5 **Halton's Urban Renewal**

None identified.

7.0 **RISK ANALYSIS**

7.1 None identified.

8.0 **EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES**

8.1 None identified.

9.0 **LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972**

None under the meaning of the Act