

REPORT TO: Executive Board

DATE: 8th December 2022

REPORTING OFFICER: Strategic Director, People

PORTFOLIO: Adult Social Care

SUBJECT: Health Policy and Performance Board -
Scrutiny Topic 2021/22

WARD(S) Borough-wide

1.0 **PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

1.1 To provide Executive Board with a copy of the final report from the Health Policy & Performance Board (PPB) Scrutiny Review for 2021/22 (attached).

2.0 **RECOMMENDATION: That the Board note the contents of the attached report, in particular the action plan on pages 17-20.**

3.0 **SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

3.1 The scrutiny topic considered by Health PPB for 20221/22 was the North West Association of Directors of Adult Social Services (NWADASS) Elected Member Commission report entitled 'The impact of Covid-19 on People with Care and Support Needs, their Families, Carers and Communities'.

3.2 The scrutiny topic was agreed by Health PPB in February 2021. The topic group was chaired by Councillor Peter Lloyd-Jones with Sue Wallace-Bonner as operational lead. The topic group met between July 2021 and January 2022 with all Health PPB members being invited to attend each meeting. The final report was presented to Health PPB on 27th September 2022 and the action plan was agreed. There was a delay in the final report going to PPB due to the June PPB meeting being cancelled.

3.3 The Elected Member Social Care Commission was established as part of a North West ADASS approach to learning lessons from the Covid-19 pandemic. In particular, the role of The Commission was to investigate the impact of the pandemic on people and communities in the North West and what lessons could be learnt for further waves of infection and future service design.

3.4 The NWADASS report set out ten recommendations, which were the main focus of the scrutiny topic in terms of looking at local implementation.

3.5 The attached report explains how the review was conducted, the information that was considered by the topic group over the course of five meetings and the actions agreed in relation to the each of the ten NWADASS recommendations.

3.6 In the course of the review, the topic group learned of the overwhelmingly positive work undertaken locally during the pandemic. Areas for further action in relation to each of the recommendations set out by NWADASS were agreed upon by the group and are outlined in the action plan included on pages 17-20 of the report.

4.0 **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 None identified.

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 focus of the scrutiny review was a report by NWADASS looking at learning lessons from the COVID-19 pandemic; the scrutiny review report presented, and in particular the actions that are proposed, therefore support the Council's strategic priority of improving health.

6.4 **A Safer Halton**

None identified.

6.5 **Halton's Urban Renewal**

None identified.

7.0 **RISK ANALYSIS**

7.1 No specific risks 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 within the meaning of the Act.