

REPORT TO: Health & Wellbeing Board
DATE: 17th January 2024
REPORTING OFFICER: Hitesh N Patel (Citizens Advice Halton)
PORTFOLIO: Health & Wellbeing
SUBJECT: Citizens Advice Halton - Child Poverty update
WARD(S) Boroughwide

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 To provide an overview of how the rising rate of the National Living Wage in April 2024 and rising Cost of School Uniforms could impact on child poverty levels in Halton.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION: That the report be received and the Board determines a way forward.

3.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

3.1 Information included in accompanying reports.

- Citizens Advice Halton – Child Poverty Update (Appendix A)
- Citizens Advice Halton – The Cost of Education report (Appendix B)

4.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

4.1 None identified

5.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 None Identified

6.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES

6.1 None Identified

7.0 RISK ANALYSIS

7.1 None Identified

8.0 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES

8.1 None Identified

9.0 **CLIMATE CHANGE IMPLICATIONS**

9.1 None Identified

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

None under the meaning of the Act.