



# Westminster Health & Wellbeing Board

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Title: Making Health Everyone's Business: Annual Public

Health Report 2022

**Report of:** Anna Raleigh, Director of Public Health

Policy Context: The Director of Public Health has a statutory

requirement to produce an independent report about

the health of local communities

Wards Involved: All

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# 1. Executive Summary

- 1.1 There is a statutory requirement that the Director of Public Health prepares an independent annual report on the health of the local population, and for the Council to publish the report.
- 1.2 This year's annual report focusses on taking a whole systems approach to improving the health and wellbeing of our residents and communities, and reducing health inequalities.
- 1.3 The report is a statement of intent to embed health and wellbeing in everything that we do, and to make health everyone's business. It is a call to action to work together to address the health challenges that our residents face and build the foundations to support them to live longer, healthier lives.

### 2. Key Matters for the Board

2.1 The Health and Wellbeing Board are asked to endorse and advocate the whole systems approach to improving the health and wellbeing of residents as set out in this year's annual public health report.

### 3. Background

- 3.1 The three key headlines of the report are:
  - Our focus: Using data and community insight we will drive forward health improvements, focussing our resources proportionate to need
  - Our commitment: We will work with our communities to ensure our actions are jointly designed and agreed with them to make the healthy choice the easy choice.
  - Our approach: We will take a holistic approach when working with individuals, communities and partners to develop joined up solutions that meet the needs of our residents.
- 3.2 The report is a statement of intent to embed health and wellbeing in everything that we do, and to make health everyone's business. It is a call to action to work together to address the health challenges that our residents face and build the foundations to support them to live longer, healthier lives.
- 3.3 The report outlines the principles of a whole systems approach and uses obesity as a case study to describe what a whole system approach looks like in practice. This highlights examples of local best practice at an Individual, Community and Place based level.
- 3.4 To support strategic alignment, and resident voice initial drafts were shared with colleagues across both Councils and with strategy colleagues, as well as local Community Champions projects. Contributions for the case studies have been sought and received from colleagues and partners across the two boroughs.

#### 4. Legal Implications

4.1 The Director of Public Health for a local authority must prepare an annual report on the health of the people in the area of the local authority Section (Section 31 (5) of the Health and Social Care Act, 2012). The Council has a duty to publish the report (Section 31 (6) of the Health and Social Care Act, 2012)

## 5. Financial Implications

4.2 There are no financial implications arising directly from this report. Any future financial implications identified as a result of the report will be presented to the appropriate Board(s) and governance channels in a separate report.

#### **Appendices**

Appendix 1 – Annual Public Health Report 2022 – Westminster

Appendix 2 – Annual Public Health Report 2022 – Kensington and Chelsea

If you have any queries about this Report or wish to inspect any of the background papers please contact:

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