

Children's Services Scrutiny Committee
Meeting to be held on Wednesday, 1 March 2017

Electoral Division affected:
(All Divisions);

Preventing Childhood Obesity

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Executive Summary

Dr Sakthi Karunanithi, the Director of Public Health and Wellbeing will provide the Committee with a presentation regarding childhood obesity which will include:

- A definition
- Situation in Lancashire
- What works?
- National policy
- Local approaches
- Opportunities and risks

Recommendation

The Children's Services Scrutiny Committee is asked to note and comment on the presentation.

Background and Advice

As part of the Terms of Reference of the Children's Services Scrutiny Committee there is a statutory obligation to discharging the statutory health overview and scrutiny function in relation to services for children and young people

The following provisions relating to scrutiny of health and social care relate to services for children and young people:

- To review and scrutinise any matter relating to the planning, provision and operation of the health service in the area and make reports and recommendations to NHS bodies as appropriate,
- In reviewing any matter relating to the planning, provision and operation of the health service in the area, to invite interested parties to comment on the matter and take account of relevant information available, particularly that provided by the Local Healthwatch
- The review and scrutinise any local services planned or provided by other agencies which contribute towards the health improvement and the reduction

of health inequalities in Lancashire and to make recommendations to those agencies, as appropriate

- In the case of contested NHS proposals for substantial service changes, to take steps to reach agreement with the NHS body
- In the case of contested NHS proposals for substantial service changes where agreement cannot be reached with the NHS, to refer the matter to the relevant Secretary of State.
- To refer to the relevant Secretary of State any NHS proposal which the Committee feels has been the subject of inadequate consultation.

It was agreed by the Committee at a previous work planning session that in the first instance they would focus on childhood obesity.

Background to the presentation is supported by a foresight report looking at how we can respond to rising levels of obesity in the UK produced by the Government Office for Science and a link to the reports can be found below:-

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/reducing-obesity-future-choices>

Consultations

N/A

Implications:

This item has the following implications, as indicated:

Risk management

There are no significant risk implications contained in this report

Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

List of Background Papers

Paper	Date	Contact/Tel
n/a	n/a	n/a

Reason for inclusion in Part II, if appropriate