

ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE	Public Protection
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REPORT TITLE	Joint Public Health Protection Plan
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TERMS OF REFERENCE	3.3

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 The Public Health etc. (Scotland) Act 2008 places a duty on Health Boards and Local Authorities to co-operate on health protection matters and produce a Local Health Protection Plan. This report seeks Committee approval of the draft Grampian Joint Health Protection Plan for the period 2018 to 2020.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Committee:-

- 2.1 Approve the Grampian Joint Health Protection Plan appended to this report;
and
- 2.2 Note that the plan will be reviewed in 2020.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 Aberdeen City Council works closely with partners in NHS Grampian, Aberdeenshire Council, Moray Council, and other agencies to deliver services to protect the health of the Grampian population. Health Protection is now the accepted term to describe the work that encompasses the surveillance, investigation, control and prevention of communicable disease and environmental hazards to human health. In terms of Public Health the plan covers the activities carried out by Environmental Health such as air quality, contaminated land, private sector housing, food safety. This area of public health does not cover issues such as addiction to alcohol and drugs or tackling obesity.

3.2 This Joint Health Protection Plan (JHPP) provides an overview of health protection priorities, provision and preparedness for NHS Grampian, Aberdeen City, Aberdeenshire and The Moray Councils as required by the Public Health etc (Scotland) Act 2008. This is the fourth Grampian Joint Health Protection Plan and covers the period from 2018 to 2020 and has been prepared by NHS Grampian in collaboration with Aberdeen City, Aberdeenshire and The Moray Councils.

3.3 In the 2016-18 Plan the three Local Authorities have presented their activities and highlighted various aspects of their work. The JHPP links to other service delivery plans across Grampian and links to the LOIP. The JHPP will contribute to delivery of the LOIP as its contents are focused on reducing inequalities around public health, the environment and increasing sustainability of the city. The main section of the plan describes the national and local priorities for health protection and what actions are planned over the next two years. The appendices provide more detail on the planning infrastructure, resources and operational arrangements, capacity and resilience, and public involvement.

3.4 In addition to Aberdeen City’s Public Protection Committee the JHPP will be considered by the following Councils and NHS Committees:

- NHS Grampian Board
- The appropriate Committees within Aberdeenshire and Moray Councils

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1 There are no direct financial implications from the recommendation of this report

5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 There are no direct legal implications arising from the recommendation of this report.

6. MANAGEMENT OF RISK

	Risk	Low (L), Medium (M), High (H)	Mitigation
Financial	No financial risk	L	Resource already in place for delivery
Legal	The Public Health (Scotland) Act 2008 places a statutory duty to	L	Duties the plan encompassed into existing statutory work of the service

	co-operative on health protection matters		
Employee	Competency of staff to carry out required duties under plan	L	Staff already competent
Customer	Public health of the Grampian population not adequately protected	L	Plan outlines NHS Grampian and Local Authorities will co-operate to ensure public health protected
Environment	n/a		
Technology	n/a		
Reputational	Failure to implement may result in reputational damage and may require emergency measures to be put in place to rectify any failings	M	Ensure co-operation on the protection of public health as per the Grampian Health Protection Plan

7. OUTCOMES

Local Outcome Improvement Plan Themes	
	Impact of Report
Prosperous Economy	.In addition to protecting public health of the consumer, the plan will ensure that businesses comply with legislation and therefore reduces the risk of prosecution for them. This will result in a more prosperous economy as a whole.
Prosperous People	People who are adequately protected from threats to their health, safety, mental and economic wellbeing are more likely to prosper than those who are not.
Prosperous Place	The Grampian Joint Health Protection Plan will contribute to a more sustainable place to live and visit.
Enabling Technology	

Design Principles of Target Operating Model	
	Impact of Report
Customer Service Design	N/A

Organisational Design	N/A
Governance	Appropriate oversight of services delivering public protection provides assurance to both the organisation and the public in terms of meeting the Council's statutory duties and contributes to compliance with agreed standards.
Workforce	Employees are aware of responsibility towards health protection and how they are to be delivered. Employees may be able to use this as a tool to identify any areas of professional development.
Process Design	N/A
Technology	N/A
Partnerships and Alliances	Working with neighbouring local authorities and NHS Grampian to ensure that the health of the Grampian population is protected.

8. IMPACT ASSESSMENTS

Assessment	Outcome
Equality & Human Rights Impact Assessment	Not Required as the Joint Health Protection Plan is intended to have an overall positive effect on inequalities in health which it seeks to address through targeted interventions aimed at protecting those most at risk from a variety of communicable diseases and environmental hazards. It does not have a negative effect on human rights
Data Protection Impact Assessment	Not Required as the joint health protection plan does not require the gathering of any personal data
Duty of Due Regard / Fairer Scotland Duty	Not applicable as the Joint Health protection plan does not make any decisions which would fall within the remit of this legislation.

9. BACKGROUND PAPERS

N/A

10. APPENDICES (if applicable)

1.1 Grampian Joint health protection Plan

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