

### To the Chair and Members of the LICENSING COMMITTEE

# **Public Health Overview for the Licensing Committee**

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

- 1. A presentation giving an overview of Public Health for the Licensing Committee. The presentation covers;
  - National and Local Alcohol Strategies
  - The level of alcohol misuse in Doncaster
  - Health outcomes relating to alcohol (hospital admissions and deaths)
  - The structure of alcohol treatment services in Doncaster and the demand on these services
  - Public Health contribution to the Licensing process (national and local)

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

2. The Committee are asked to receive, note and comment on the content of the presentation.

### WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR THE CITIZENS OF DONCASTER?

3. Alcohol misuse is a Public Health priority in Doncaster and features as one of five areas of focus for the Health & Wellbeing Board. Alcohol dependence can result in liver and pancreatic failure though drinking harmful and hazardous levels also contributes to heart disease, hypertension, cancers and mental ill-health. Alcohol misuse can also have a negative impact on the wellbeing of families and on the safety of children and young people.

Alcohol misuse impacts a range of local services at significant cost including; the ambulance service, the A&E department, acute hospital services, mental health services, the Police and the wider Criminal Justice System.

### **BACKGROUND**

4. Public Health is now a Responsible Authority. There is an increasing emphasis on the role of Public Health with the Licensing process from Public Health England and the Home Office. The Public Health team in Doncaster is working with the Licensing Authority to develop the local contribution.

## **OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

5. There are no specific options for consideration. This report is for information only.

## REASONS FOR RECOMMENDED OPTION

6. The Committee is asked to receive and comment on the presentation.

# IMPACT ON THE COUNCIL'S KEY PRIORITIES

7. Alcohol is one of five priorities for the Health & Wellbeing Board as defined by the Joint Health & Wellbeing Strategy.

| Priority  | Implications  |
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| <ul> <li>We will support a strong economy where businesses can locate, grow and employ local people.</li> <li>Mayoral Priority: Creating Jobs and Housing</li> <li>Mayoral Priority: Be a strong voice for our veterans</li> <li>Mayoral Priority: Protecting Doncaster's vital services</li> </ul>   | Public Health wants to contribute to the Licensing process in a constructive and proportional way that is not to the detriment of the local economy.                                |
| We will help people to live safe, healthy, active and independent lives.  • Mayoral Priority: Safeguarding our Communities  • Mayoral Priority: Bringing down the cost of living  | Public Health can contribute expertise and intelligence to the Licensing process to limit alcohol-related violence, anti-social behaviour and the protection of children from harm. |
| We will make Doncaster a better place to live, with cleaner, more sustainable communities.  • Mayoral Priority: Creating Jobs and Housing  • Mayoral Priority: Safeguarding our Communities  • Mayoral Priority: Bringing down the cost of living  We will support all families to thrive.  • Mayoral Priority: Protecting Doncaster's vital services |   |
| We will deliver modern value for money services.  |   |
| We will provide strong leadership and governance, working in partnership.   |   |

# **RISKS AND ASSUMPTIONS**

8. There are no risks and assumptions arising from this report.

### **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

9. There are no specific legal implications from this report.

### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

10. There are no specific financial implications arising from this report.

### **EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS**

11. Local plans and treatment services are based on local and national strategies. The Doncaster Substance Misuse Strategy 2014 was developed following consultation with the public and service users. The National Alcohol Strategy (published in 2012) underwent extensive consultation with statutory, private and third sector representatives to ensure equality issues were addressed.

## **CONSULTATION**

12. No consultation has been undertaken with regard to this report.

### **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

13. Relevant papers to this presentation include;

Public Health and the Licensing Act 2003 – Guidance note on effective participation by Public Health teams. http://www.nta.nhs.uk/uploads/phe-licensing-guidance-2014.pdf

Local Alcohol Profiles for England (LAPE) <a href="http://www.lape.org.uk/">http://www.lape.org.uk/</a>

Alcohol Concern – Alcohol Harm Map https://www.alcoholconcern.org.uk/for-professionals/alcohol-harm-map/

National Alcohol Strategy 2012 <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/alcohol-strategy">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/alcohol-strategy</a>

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