

# **North Sunderland Area Committee**

**1 March 2010**

## **Report of the Chief Executive**

### **North Sunderland a Healthy Area Summary**

#### **1. Why has it come to Committee?**

1.1 At its June meeting, the committee agreed its work plan for the 2009/10 municipal year and the Health priority is the fifth to come to committee for discussion and consideration.

#### **2. Description of Decision**

2.1 Area Committee is asked to note the reports and the following **actions** identified in Annex 1a and 1b:

- Develop a programme to ensure that there is an increase in targeted individuals accessing services to improve their health.
- Officers to work in partnership and develop an evidence base for the North Area that will shape the future priorities of the Committee
- That the North Area Committee supports agencies to develop daily living solutions to promote individuals independence and well-being.

#### **3. Background**

3.1 Residents in Sunderland North report that their health is generally the same as the City average. They consider that older people in the area are not as able to get the services and support they need to continue to live at home as they want when compared with the City average. Their satisfaction with GPs is slightly less than the City average.

People with a limiting long-term illness including the factor of old age, provides an indication of a health problem or disability which limits their daily activities or the work they can do, consequently, this places additional pressure on health and social care services. Census information tells us that 24% of residents within Sunderland have limiting long-term illness (19.4% are people of working age). Within the Sunderland North area, Castle (25.2%), Redhill (27.6%), and St Southwick (29.3%) wards have a higher percentage than the Sunderland figure.

In relation to life expectancy residents in Fulwell (81.8) and St Peters (78.7) wards live longer than the City average of 76.4 years. Residents in Castle (75.6), Redhill (74.7), and Southwick (74) wards have a lower life

expectancy for all persons from birth than the City average. Female rates for life expectancy are higher across all wards in Sunderland North than that for males.

Mortality rates from circulatory disease are higher than the City average of 108 per 100,000 population in all of the wards in Sunderland North with the exception of Fulwell (62.75). The trend is the same in relation to mortality rate from cancer where all wards are higher than the City average of 136.15 per 100,000 population with the exception of Fulwell (106.38).

### 3.2 Who has been involved?

- Sunderland TPCT
- Health Housing and Adult Services
- City Services
- Sunderland CVS

### 2.3 Key Dates

- Aug 09: Initial meeting held with key partners to discuss priorities, what services are being currently delivered, any gaps, and general comments
- 30.11.09: Working Group to determine key priorities to be presented to March 2010 Area Committee
- 09.02.10: Pre meeting for Area Committee
- 18.02.10 : Report deadline for Area Committee
- **01.03.10 : Area Committee, discuss and agree recommendations**
- 01.04.10 : Feedback deadline
- 12.04.10 : Area Committee: Feedback presented
- 01.04.10 : Deadline for End of year report for Area Committee
- 12.04.10 : Area Committee End of Year report presented

## 3. Healthy Theme Area Summary

3.1 Attached as Annex 1 is the area summary for the Healthy theme. The annex covers:

- Priorities agreed at Area Committee
- Background/Key Issues
- Current activity
- Any gaps, identified needs or general comments
- Actions and Proposals with lead organisations identified

## 4. Recommendation

4.1 Area Committee is asked to note all of the **actions** identified in Annex 1a and 1b:

- Develop a programme to ensure that there is an increase in targeted individuals accessing certain services.
- Officers to work in partnership and develop an evidence base for the North Area that will shape the future priorities of the Committee
- That the North Area Committee supports agencies to develop daily living solutions to promote individuals independence and well-being.

## **5. Background papers**

- Sunderland Strategy Delivery Plans
- Local Area Agreements Delivery Plans
- Sunderland North Local Area Plan
- Information provided by partners and officers at a Health workshop event August 2009 and one to one meetings

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**Annex 1a:** Sunderland North Healthy Area Summary

**Annex 1b:** Report of the Director of Health Housing and Adult Services

**Annex 1c:** Sunderland North Health related Facilities