



## SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL Full Council

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<b>Report of:</b>	Director of Public Health
<b>Date:</b>	9 <sup>th</sup> January 2019
<b>Subject:</b>	Health and Wealth: Director of Public Health Report for Sheffield (2018)
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**Summary:**

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**Recommendations:**

To note the information contained in the report and support the three recommendations it makes.

**Background Papers:**

The report is attached. The online version may be accessed from <http://www.sheffield.gov.uk/home/public-health/director-public-health.html>

The JSNA open data resource may be accessed from <https://data.sheffield.gov.uk/stories/s/fs4w-cygv>

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<b>Category of Report:</b>	OPEN
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## Statutory and Council Policy Checklist

<b>Financial Implications</b>
NO Cleared by: Liz Gough
<b>Legal Implications</b>
NO Cleared by: Andrea Simpson
<b>Equality of Opportunity Implications</b>
YES Cleared by: Greg Fell
<b>Tackling Health Inequalities Implications</b>
YES Cleared by: Greg Fell
<b>Human rights Implications</b>
NO
<b>Environmental and Sustainability implications</b>
NO
<b>Economic impact</b>
YES
<b>Community safety implications</b>
NO
<b>Human resources implications</b>
NO
<b>Property implications</b>
NO
<b>Area(s) affected</b>
All
<b>Relevant Cabinet Portfolio Leader</b>
Cllr Jackie Drayton
<b>Relevant Scrutiny Committee if decision called in</b>
Healthier Communities and Adult Social Care
<b>Is the item a matter which is reserved for approval by the City Council?</b>
NO
<b>Press release</b>
YES

**REPORT TITLE:** Health and Wealth: Director of Public Health Report for Sheffield 2018

**1.0 SUMMARY**

- 1.1 The Director of Public Health has a statutory duty to produce an annual report on the health of the local population. This year's report (attached) focuses on the relationship between health, work and the economy. It considers how good work and inclusive economy can make a significant contribution to improvement in Sheffield's health and wellbeing and how, in turn, good health represents a key requirement for future prosperity.
- 1.2 The report uses intelligence from the JSNA (available as an open data online resource <https://data.sheffield.gov.uk/stories/s/fs4w-cygv> ) to consider the economic case for a healthy workforce as well as setting out the reasons why good work is good for our health. It also looks at why current economic structures aren't working for most people and how this impacts on our health and wellbeing. Finally the report focuses on how we can all benefit from an inclusive economy and the importance of the City's anchor institutions in making this a reality.
- 1.3 The report makes three recommendations to the Council, Sheffield City Partnership and the Sheffield City Region respectively in regard to promoting good work and an inclusive economy for the City. There is also a short report on the progress made with the recommendations from the 2017 DPH report.

**2.0 WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR SHEFFIELD PEOPLE**

- 2.1 Almost two thirds of people in Sheffield are aged between 16 to 64 years and constitute the majority of what is known as the working age population. We are seeing more and more people of working age develop long term conditions, including mental ill health and musculoskeletal problems that are affecting their chances of finding and/or staying in meaningful employment or activity. We are also seeing increasing financial hardship within the City, including those households who are in work. This is leading to entrenched inequalities, including in healthy life expectancy.
- 2.2 The report recommends that an inclusive economy for Sheffield represents the key means by which we can drive down inequality and see more people benefitting from equal access to opportunities and improved quality of life, no matter what their circumstances or where they live in the City. This means our economy must work for all of our population.

**3.0 OUTCOME AND SUSTAINABILITY**

- 3.1 In the context of continuing economic austerity, reducing resources and the rise in the number of households facing financial hardship, we need to focus our efforts on where we can make the most difference or have the greatest impact on outcome and on how best to optimise the use of

our existing commitments and change the nature and shape of those commitments over time rather than how to spend new resources.

- 3.2 If life expectancy and healthy life expectancy are to continue to increase and the gap in life expectancy and healthy life expectancy between the best and worst off is to narrow, we must prioritise the development of an inclusive economy and good work. Equally, if the local economy is to grow and flourish we must prioritise improvements in the health and wellbeing of our population.

#### **4.0 MAIN BODY OF THE REPORT**

- 4.1 The report is attached to this paper. It may also be accessed online at <http://www.sheffield.gov.uk/home/public-health/director-public-health.html>

- 4.2 Work is a critical determinant of good health and wellbeing. Work is not necessarily ONLY about paid employment, but could also be described as any meaningful activity that provides us with a sense of purpose. Similarly a healthy population is a critical determinant of high productivity and a flourishing economy, in the same way that a good transport network underpins economic growth. Health and “wealth” go hand in hand and it is why this year’s DPH report focuses on the dynamic between work, the economy and health.

- 4.3 The first main section of the report focuses on the economic case for a healthy workforce as well as setting out the reasons why good quality work is beneficial to health. High levels of chronic ill health, deprivation and low skills means we have a long way to go yet in terms of a healthy and happy workforce. Although the facts are worrying, there are actions we can take but these will need to be systematic and at scale. All employers have a significant contribution to make.

- 4.4 The second section looks in detail at the relationship between health and the economy. Current economic structures simply aren’t working for most people and may even be impacting adversely on our health and wellbeing – leading to entrenched patterns of inequality and disadvantage. A difference can be made but it must co-ordinate across all sectors of the economy, take a medium to long term view and incorporate a large enough economic footprint to make a difference.

- 4.5 The third and final section of the report brings the two perspectives of health and wealth together and explores in more depth what we need to do to ensure we all benefit from an inclusive and sustainable economy. In doing so the pivotal role of anchor institutions in making this approach a reality is explored in more depth.

- 4.6 Finally, the report makes three recommendations to the Council, the Sheffield City Partnership and the Sheffield City Region respectively in regard to promoting good work and an inclusive economy for the City

(see section 8 below) and includes progress update on the recommendations made in the 2017 report.

## **5.0 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

5.1 Not applicable

## **6.0 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

6.1 It is good practice for Director of Public Health reports to contain recommendations aimed at improving the health of the population. This year's report makes three such recommendations (see section 8 below).

## **7.0 REASONS FOR EXEMPTION (if a Closed report)**

7.1 Not applicable

## **8.0 RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH'S REPORT**

8.1 The report makes three recommendations:

- **Sheffield City Council, Sheffield City Partnership and Sheffield City Region** should align and embed action into their economic strategies to enable and encourage all local employers to recognise their role in providing good work and ensuring that the most disadvantaged in our society are not left behind in their ambitions. Practical examples of this might include all organisations working towards implementing the fair employer charter, paying the foundation living wage and being ethical procurers
- **Sheffield City Partnership**, as part of developing a strategy for an inclusive economy, should consider how best to use the resources currently available to the City, to incentivise implementation of the strategy; and
- **Sheffield City Partnership** should facilitate the public, private and voluntary anchor institutions of Sheffield to develop a collective strategy to secure and progress their contribution to an inclusive economy, underpinned by supportive strategies for each sector.

## **9.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

9.1 The Council is asked to note the information contained in the report and to support the recommendations it makes.

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