

DECISION-MAKER:	OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE		
SUBJECT:	ALCOHOL AND DRUGS STRATEGIES 2017/2020		
DATE OF DECISION:	15 JUNE 2017		
REPORT OF:	CHAIRS OF THE HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD AND THE SAFE CITY PARTNERSHIP.		
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STATEMENT OF CONFIDENTIALITY			
None			
BRIEF SUMMARY			
<p>The purpose of this paper is to update the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee (OSMC) on the progress made on the Alcohol and Drugs Strategies (Appendix 1 and 2).</p> <p>The OSMC referenced the developing alcohol strategy in a community safety discussion in December 2016. The strategy was approved by the Health and Wellbeing Board in March 2017.</p> <p>The OSMC recommended in August 2016 that ‘through the Safe City Partnership, a drugs strategy, which is fully supported across all relevant agencies, is developed to reduce the threat, harm and risk caused by drugs’. The strategy has been developed and is being presented to the Safe City Partnership for approval on 9th June 2017.</p>			
RECOMMENDATIONS:			
	(i)	That the Committee notes the progress made in implementing the Southampton Alcohol Strategy, 2017-20.	
	(ii)	That the Committee notes the progress made in agreeing the draft Southampton Drugs Strategy, 2017-20, to date and proposals for implementation.	
REASONS FOR REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS			
1.	To enable the Committee to effectively scrutinise progress against the Committee’s previous recommendations.		
ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED			
2.	None.		
DETAIL (Including consultation carried out)			
3.	The <i>Alcohol Strategy 2017-20</i> was developed in 2016 and approved by the Health and Wellbeing Board in March 2017.		
4.	The strategy sets out how partners across the city will work together. The strategy supports the outcomes of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2017-		

	2025, and the Safe City Strategy 2014-2017. It has been developed as an easy to read, high level document, which focuses on key priorities and actions.
5.	The aim of the strategy is for Southampton to be a safe, healthy and vibrant city where people who choose to drink alcohol do so safely.
6.	This aim addresses the Health and Wellbeing Board's concern about the impact of alcohol on health, inequalities and violence. It also recognises that the responsible sale and consumption of alcohol can contribute to a vibrant culture and night time economy where communities and business thrive.
7.	<p>The strategy was based on a detailed review of data and widespread engagement with stakeholders. A workshop was held with key partners from health, police, community safety, youth offending, substance misuse services and intelligence, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hampshire Constabulary • Southampton Clinical Commissioning Group • Solent NHS • Wessex Academic Health Science Network • Healthwatch • Society of St James • Street Pastors • YMCA • No Limits • Southampton City Council (Licensing, Commissioning, Public Health, Community Safety, Children's Safeguarding, Communications, Data Intelligence) <p>The strategy working group also engaged with on and off-licenced premises owners and service users in treatment.</p>
8.	<p>The strategy has three key priorities: Safe, Healthy and Vibrant.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safe - reducing the impact on community and individual safety from antisocial behaviour, violence and crime. This priority will be led by the Safe City Partnership. • Healthy - raising awareness of the risks of harmful drinking and helping people with alcohol problems. This priority will be led by the Health & Wellbeing Board • Vibrant - alcohol consumption as part of the night-time economy and the regulated environment. This priority will be led by Southampton City Council.
9.	The detailed governance arrangements for implementing the strategy are being developed. The likely approach is that the police will lead the "Safe" workstream, public health will lead the "Healthy" workstream and licencing will lead the "Vibrant" workstream. Each will work with a range of agencies. For example, licencing already chair a night-time economy group of local bars, the ambulance service, the police, community safety and street pastors. Theme leads are being confirmed and will form a small steering group to provide annual assurance to the Health and Wellbeing Board. The approach will be agreed in June 2017.

10.	The <i>Drugs Strategy for 2017-20</i> is in development. It is going to the Safe City Partnership on 9 th June 2017 for approval. It will subsequently go to the Health & Wellbeing Board for information.
11.	The strategy has been led by Hampshire Constabulary, working closely with a range of stakeholders. The strategy is based on a detailed review of health and crime data and extensive stakeholder engagement.
12.	This engagement with stakeholders and partners included two multi-agency workshops. The workshops were attended by approximately 20 people from agencies including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hampshire Constabulary • Southampton City Council departments (Public Health, Integrated Commissioning Unit, Community Safety, Housing) • Crown Prosecution Service • Youth Offending Service • Society of St James • Southampton Independent Advisory Group
13.	A service user survey is underway and will inform the implementation of the strategy.
14.	The engagement with stakeholders identified much good work already in place in the city and real opportunities to deliver even better services by working more collaboratively.
15.	The proposed strategy has 3 priorities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engagement and raising awareness • Prevention and treatment • Crime disruption and antisocial behaviour
16.	The strategy will be presented to the Safe City Partnership together with a proposal for how the implementation will be led. Specifically that Public Health will lead the first two priorities which will be overseen through a new strategy implementation group. It will meet for the first time in early September and agree the terms of reference and the detailed work programme.
17.	The Police will lead the third priority, “crime disruption and antisocial behaviour” using existing forums: Tactical Planning Meeting plus (TPM+); Operation Fortify, for people vulnerable to being exploited by drug dealers; and Operation Heavy, which targets drug dealers.
18.	The overall strategy will continue to be led by the police. Priority leads will work closely together.
19.	The strategy will be presented to the Safe City Partnership with a proposal to assure the Partnership of progress annually. Assurance is likely to be scheduled as part of the Safe City needs assessment in November each year.
20.	The governance arrangements for both the drugs and alcohol strategies are flexible. The drugs strategy is overseen by the Safe City Partnership, but information will also be shared with the Health and Wellbeing Board. The alcohol strategy is overseen by the Health and Wellbeing Board, but information will also be shared with the Safe City Partnership.

21.	Agencies across Southampton are continuing to deliver drugs and alcohol services throughout this time. Action is ongoing while implementation of the strategies begins in earnest over the summer.
RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS	
<u>Capital/Revenue</u>	
22.	The recommendations are based within existing work programmes. As such they are not considered likely to initially present any additional financial commitments.
<u>Property/Other</u>	
23.	None.
LEGAL IMPLICATIONS	
<u>Statutory power to undertake proposals in the report:</u>	
24.	None
<u>Other Legal Implications:</u>	
25.	None
RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS	
26.	None
POLICY FRAMEWORK IMPLICATIONS	
27.	The outcome of the scrutiny review will contribute to the following priority within the Southampton City Council Strategy 2016-2020: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • People in Southampton live safe, healthy, independent lives
KEY DECISION	No
WARDS/COMMUNITIES AFFECTED:	All
<u>SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION</u>	
Appendices	
1.	Southampton Alcohol Strategy, 2017-20
2.	Southampton Drugs Strategy – draft, 2017-20
Documents In Members' Rooms	
1.	None
Equality Impact Assessment	
Do the implications/subject of the report require an Equality and Safety Impact Assessments (ESIA) to be carried out.	No
Privacy Impact Assessment	
Do the implications/subject of the report require a Privacy Impact Assessment (PIA) to be carried out.	No
Other Background Documents:	
Title of Background Paper(s)	Relevant Paragraph of the Access to Information Procedure Rules / Schedule 12A allowing document

		to be Exempt/Confidential (if applicable)
1.	None	