

CANNOCK CHASE COUNCIL

BRIEFING NOTE

HEALTH & WELLBEING POLICY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

5TH AUGUST 2013

BRIEFING NOTE FROM HEAD OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

HEALTH & WELLBEING PORTFOLIO

1. Purpose of Briefing Note

1.1 To outline to members the remit of the Health & Wellbeing portfolio.

2. Background

2.1 The Council Constitution assigns responsibility to the Portfolio Leader for Health & Wellbeing for speaking at Council, Cabinet, Committee and other meetings on the following:-

- Liaison with various bodies and agencies to tackle health inequalities across the District, including the Primary Care Trust and NHS Trusts.
- Environmental Health Services, including food hygiene and safety, disease control, health and safety, health promotion, and mortuary. Except where it involves determining any application, taking direct regulation or enforcement action.
- Management and maintenance of the Council's community alarms and CCTV systems.
- The administration of Housing and Council Tax Benefits, except where it involves determining any application, taking direct regulation or enforcement action.
- All statutory and non-statutory plans and policy documents prepared by the Council relating to the above-mentioned services and facilities including (but not limited to) the Food Law Enforcement Service Plan.

2.2 In practice the above remit overlaps with other portfolios. For example, physical activity and healthy lifestyle programmes are provided by Culture and Leisure which fall within the Culture and Sport portfolio.

2.3 More detailed information on the Health & Wellbeing portfolio can be provided should members so wish.