

REVIEW OF MANAGEMENT OF LEGIONNAIRES DISEASE OUTBREAK

Report By: Director of Social Care and Strategic Housing

Wards Affected

County-wide

Purpose

1. To consider a draft scoping statement to guide the work of the Committee in relation to its review of how the recent outbreak of Legionnaires disease was managed.

Financial Implications

2. No significant resource implications have been identified in relation to the current review proposal.

Background

3. At its meeting on 13th November, 2003 the Health Scrutiny Committee agreed that it would scrutinise the management of the Legionnaires disease outbreak as soon as the outbreak was over. There was agreement that the Committee as a whole should conduct this exercise.
4. Attached at appendix 1 is a draft scoping statement that has been prepared for consideration by the Committee.
5. In view of the cross cutting issues associated with the outbreak, the Committee may wish to invite representation from the Environment Scrutiny Committee.
6. It is proposed that evidence be sought from the following:
 - Health Protection Agency (HPA)
 - Herefordshire Primary Care Trust
 - Environmental Health
 - Local Media representatives
 - Public Relations staff

RECOMMENDATION

THAT (a) the Committee consider and agree the draft scoping statement attached at appendix 1;

and

- (b) the Committee consider whether it would be appropriate to invite representation from the Environment Scrutiny Committee to support the review of how the recent Legionnaires disease outbreak was managed.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

- None identified