

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH 2004/05

Report By: Director of Children's Services

Wards Affected

County-wide

Purpose

1. To consider the Director of Public Health's Annual Report 2004/05

Background

2. The Director of Public Health, a post jointly funded by this Council and the Herefordshire Primary Care Trust (PCT) and line managed within the PCT, is required to produce an Annual Report on Health in Herefordshire. This reports on health issues in the County and makes a series of recommendations. The Government's guidance suggests that this report is one of the sources which might be used by the Committee to inform the identification of local priorities to be scrutinised.
3. The Committee considered the Annual Report 2003, produced by Dr Mike Deakin then the Director of Public Health, on 29th July 2004. Dr Deakin left shortly afterwards to become Director of Public Health and Clinical Engagement with the West Midlands (South) Strategic Health Authority and the post of Director of Public Health has been vacant since September 2004. Dr Frances Howie has been on a part-time secondment as Associate Director of Public Health since November 2004.
4. Dr Howie will attend the meeting to give a presentation on the report and answer questions.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Committee consider the Annual Report of the Director of Public Health 2004/05.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

- None