TITLE: HEALTH AND WELLBEING STRATEGY

Committee: Regulatory & Support Services Committee

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1.0 ISSUE

1.1 To inform members of the progress against the East Cambridgeshire Health and Wellbeing Strategy Action Plan.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION(S)

2.1 Members note the performance against the targets set within the Health and Wellbeing Action Plan.

3.0 BACKGROUND/OPTIONS

- 3.1 Members approved East Cambridgeshire Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2015-18 and Action plan at Committee in December 2015.
- 3.2 The Strategy informs how the Council, during its day to day business contributes to the improvement of health outcomes for our residents, and people who work or visit the district.
- 3.3 The Strategy provides clear links to the Cambridgeshire Health and Wellbeing Strategy and demonstrates how, at a local level the council is implementing policies and strategies that have a direct impact on health.
- 3.4 The initial action plan reflected targets set within the departmental service delivery plans which have direct impact on the health and wellbeing of residents. Future actions need to encompass the wider work being undertaken with other organisations to enhance the opportunities available for residents, businesses and visitors to improve their health outcomes.
- 3.5 The Action Plan (appendix 1) highlights the diverse range of work undertaken by the council, which contributes to health and wellbeing. These range from improving employment opportunities/prospects to the provision of award winning green spaces.
- 3.6 Service leads have a clear understanding of the link between the operational delivery of their services to health improvements, and have recently attended a health and wellbeing workshop. The outcomes of the workshop will feed into the new action plan.

- 3.7 To provide members with the opportunity to contribute to the development of the action plan, a member's seminar has been organised for 16 May 2017, where the following points will be considered
 - What influences health?
 - What does East Cambridgeshire District Council currently do to improve the health of the community?
 - What could we do better to improve health and wellbeing for the community?

Outcomes from this seminar will be incorporated into East Cambridgeshire Health and Wellbeing Action Plan 2017/18, which will be presented to a future committee for sign off.

4.0 ARGUMENTS/CONCLUSIONS

- 4.1 The health and wellbeing strategy links directly to the Council's corporate objectives and identifies what the council does and its ongoing vision to protect and improve the health outcomes for the community. The action plan sets clear goals and targets against those objectives.
- 4.2 District Councils play an essential role in improving public health by delivering services at a local level which have a direct impact on health including environmental health, general environmental services, housing, licensing, physical activity and leisure, planning, economic development and benefits advice. In addition the council has a close relationship with the local community, including residents, businesses and voluntary sector organisations. It is therefore important that the council work with other organisations to maximise health impacts for our community.
- 4.3 The council need to consider what we could do better to improve the health of our community. This will then feed into a refreshed action plan for implementation.

5.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS/EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 5.1 There are no additional financial implications arising from this report
- 5.2 Equality Impact Assessment (INRA) not required
- 6.0 <u>APPENDICES</u>
- 6.1 Health and Wellbeing Action Plan

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