

REPORT FOR DECISION

DECISION OF:	CABINET
DATE:	22 AUGUST 2012
SUBJECT:	PUBLIC HEALTH TRANSITION ACTION PLAN 2012/13
REPORT FROM:	COUNCILLOR RISHI SHORI, CABINET MEMBER FOR ADULT CARE, HEALTH & WELLBEING
CONTACT OFFICER:	ANGELA HARDMAN, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH
TYPE OF DECISION:	CABINET
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION/STATUS:	Within public domain.
SUMMARY:	<p>The Public Health Transition action Plan (Appendix A) describes the current state of readiness, action required and identified risks associated with the transition of the Bury public health function, programmes and services to the Local Authority, Bury Clinical Commissioning Group, the National Commissioning Board and Public Health England.</p> <p>The programme of work and associated action plan (Appendix A – supporting document 17.2) is overseen by the Public Health Transition Programme Board, chaired by the Executive Director Adult Care Services.</p> <p>The action plan was signed off by the Chief Executive of the Council, Bury Clinical Commissioning Group and the NHS North East Sector Locality Group, and submitted to NHS North West in March 2012.</p> <p>The action plan has subsequently been RAG rated as “green” by NHS North West.</p>

OPTIONS & RECOMMENDED OPTION	1. That Members note the scope and content of the action plan.
IMPLICATIONS:	
Corporate Aims/Policy Framework:	Do the proposals accord with the Policy Framework? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes
Statement by the S151 Officer: Financial Implications and Risk Considerations:	<p>This report relates to the public health transition programme for 2012/13.</p> <p>Financial issues and considerations relating to the transition process are embedded into the transition action plan.</p> <p>Officers are working jointly with PCT staff to ensure a smooth transition.</p>
Statement by Executive Director of Resources:	Robust action plans exist to tackle wider resource matters. ICT are recognised as being of specific importance and the Council's ICT Strategy and the PID attached to the report reflects this.
Equality/Diversity implications:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes (see paragraph below)
Considered by Monitoring Officer:	Yes – appropriate advice is given to the Public Health Transition Board and the action plan takes into account provisions on due diligence, employment, equalities, governance issues and risk management issues.
Wards Affected:	All
Scrutiny Interest:	Health

TRACKING/PROCESS

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ADULT CARE:

Chief Executive/ Strategic Leadership Team	Executive Member/Chair	Ward Members	Partners
Scrutiny Committee	Committee	Council	

1.0 BACKGROUND

- 1.1 In November 2011, all primary care trust were required to develop a comprehensive plan detailing actions required to enable the safe transition of public health to the local authority by April 2013.
- 1.2 Building on already strong partnership relationships between Public Health and the Local Authority, an initial vision for the integration of the public health function and team was developed, this was supported and signed off by the LA Chief Executive, Managing Director of Bury Locality Board (in place at that time), and the Clinical Lead of Bury Clinical Commissioning Group.
- 1.3 Good progress in implementing the local vision has been achieved. In November 2011, the Local Authority became managerially responsible for the public health team under the terms of a memorandum of understanding. At the same time, the public health team relocated to local authority premises and is based at Knowsley Place.
- 1.4 The plan includes a comprehensive list of actions. Task and Finish Groups have been established to drive forward implementation, working in support of the Public Health Transition Programme Board.

2.0 ISSUES

Including statements on issues of:

Risk Management

A programme of work is in place to ensure that robust governance arrangements, schedules of delegation and accountability, and risk sharing agreements are in place between the LA and NHS to support the legal transfer of responsibilities and maintain resilience in the public health work programme throughout transition and beyond.

The action plan incorporates details of identified risks and mitigating actions required.

Equality and Diversity

The transition plan will have a neutral impact on equality in terms of protected characteristics as it is designed to maintain services and functions through the transition period with minimal impact on the front facing public health role. However the leadership role of public health in reducing inequalities in health and wellbeing across the borough has direct relevance to the advancing equality of opportunity and fostering good relations elements of the public sector equality duties.

Implementation of the action plan, in particular the human resource aspects of the transition programme, will comply with all relevant employment and equalities legislation, and follow best employment practice in accordance with the requirements of the Public Health Human Resource Concordat.

3.0 CONCLUSION & RECOMMENDATION

That the report and detailed action plan be noted and signed off.

List of Background Papers:

Appendix A : Bury Public Health Transition Action Plan 2012/13

Appendix A : Supporting documents :

- 1.4a: Project Initiation document 2011/12
- 1.4b: Project Initiation document 2012/13
- 3.1: Public Health Transition Vision
- 3.2: Memorandum of Understanding
- 7.3: JSNA Project Initiation document
- 7.5a/8.1b Shadow Health & Well-Being Board Minutes – 29.2.12
- 7.5b: Shadow Health & Well-Being Board : Community Asset Approaches
- 8.1a: Shadow Health & Well-Being Board : Communication & Engagement Framework 2012-13 through to Transition
- 8.4: Press Release
- 10.1b: Major Incident Plan
- 11.2a: GM Screening Risk Register
- 11.2b: GM Screening Commissioning Paper
- 17.2: Task & Finish Group Action Plan

Appendix B : Equality Analysis Form

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