

# Statutory officers report for the Nottingham City Health and Wellbeing Board

## **Director of Public Health**

## 25<sup>th</sup> January 2017

## 1. Nottingham City Council Alcohol Declaration

On the 16<sup>th</sup> January 2017 at the Nottingham City Full Council meeting councillors passed a motion to endorse and sign up to the Alcohol Declaration to demonstrate the Council's commitment to addressing the harm from alcohol.

The aim of the Alcohol Declaration is to demonstrate local authority leadership on tackling alcohol harm and to make a collective statement about the importance of this issue both locally and nationally. It is intended that the commitments set out in the declaration will result in action across the system to address the harm alcohol causes to individuals and communities.

The declaration commits the City Council to act at a local level to reduce alcohol harm and health inequalities by:

- Influencing national government to take the most effective, evidence-based action to reduce alcohol harm, particularly via the introduction of greater regulations around the price, promotion and availability of alcohol;
- Influencing national government to rebalance the Licensing Act in favour of local authorities and communities, enabling local licensing authorities to control the number, density and availability of alcohol according to local requirements;
- Developing evidence-based strategies and commissioning plans with our local communities and partners including the local NHS Acute Trust, Clinical Commissioning Groups and the Police;
- Ensuring that public health and community safety are accorded a high priority in all public policy-making about alcohol;
- Making best use of existing licensing powers to ensure effective management of the night-time economy;
- Raising awareness of the harm caused by alcohol to individuals and our communities, bringing it closer in public consciousness to other harmful products, such as tobacco.

This builds on the earlier success of the Tobacco Declaration in taking forward tobacco control strategies in Nottingham.

There is now opportunity to consider implementation of a similar version for Health and Wellbeing member organisations to also show their support.

#### 2. Nottingham City Joint Strategic Needs Assessment

Four chapters of the JSNA have recently been updated and uploaded to the Nottingham Insight website:



- 1. Diet and Nutrition (Nov 2016)
- 2. Adults with Physical Impairment (Nov 2016)
- 3. Carers (Dec 2016)
- 4. Special Educational Needs and Disability(Nov 2016)

Link to the JSNA homepage <u>http://jsna.nottinghamcity.gov.uk/insight/Strategic-</u> <u>Framework/Nottingham-JSNA.aspx</u>