

Brief for Scrutiny – Alcohol Action Plan

Topic to be scrutinised

Whether the new alcohol strategy action plan is fit for purpose. The action plan needs to be approved by the Alcohol Strategy PAG in September, and is therefore currently in draft.

Questions to be addressed

1. Whether the alcohol action plan meets the needs of residents, partners, service users and will benefit the whole of the Borough

Outcomes

1. There is a clear opportunity for suggestions to be put forward as to how to improve this action plan
2. An understanding and appreciation of the areas which this action plan covers

Background materials

1. Alcohol Harm Reduction Strategy 2008-2012
2. Alcohol Action Plan 2012-13

Evidence and witnesses

1. Portfolio Holder for Safer, Stronger Communities
2. Head of Service Business Partnerships & Improvement
3. Representatives from Staffordshire Police
4. Representatives from Newcastle Borough Council (Community Safety Team)

Method of scrutiny

1. It is suggested that the role of the Cleaner, Greener Safer Overview and Scrutiny Committee is to continue its existing role in terms of scrutiny but receives ongoing updates (verbal or written) on progress of the alcohol action plan

Timetable

The revised alcohol action plan is to be presented before partners at the next Alcohol Strategy Priority Action Group (ASPAG) in September

Constraints

Should the ASPAG sign off this document work will commence immediately

Members to undertake the scrutiny

Members of the Cleaner, Greener Safer Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Support

Head of Business Improvement & Partnerships

Community Safety Business Manager

Newcastle Borough Council Corporate Plan Priority area (s)

- Creating a cleaner, safer and sustainable Borough
- Creating a Borough of opportunity
- Transforming our Council to achieve excellence

CfPS Objectives:

- Drives improvement in public services
- Enables the voice and concerns of the public to be heard

Brief approved by Cleaner, Greener Safer Overview and Scrutiny Co-ordinating Committee

Signed

Date