

CABINET - 14TH DECEMBER, 2005

REPORT OF THE LEAD OFFICER TO THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON GOOD HEALTH

USE OF HEALTH IMPACT ASSESSMENTS

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. To receive and consider a recommendation of the Select Committee on Good Health regarding the use of Health Impact Assessments in future major decisions.

BACKGROUND

2. The Select Committee on Good Health at its meeting held on 17th November, 2005, considered a report of the Director of the Urban Environment on an Health Impact Assessment carried out on the closure of Brierley Hill Leisure Centre.
3. Arising from consideration of the report the Select Committee in endorsing the proposals in the report also resolved that

“The Cabinet be recommended that Health Impact Assessments form an integral part of any future major decision that affects health and well being in the Borough.”

FINANCE

4. There are no direct financial implications from this report. However, if the recommendation is adopted there will be financial implications in the carrying out of any future Health Impact Assessments.

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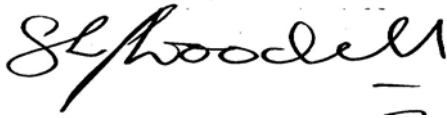
5. Section 111 of the Local Government Act, 1972, enables the Council to do anything which it calculate facilitate or is conducive or incidental to the discharge of its functions.

EQUALITY IMPACT

6. Health Impact Assessments seek to ensure that there is equality of access to opportunities for health and well being for all sections of the community.

RECOMMENDATION

7. That approval be given to the recommendation of the Select Committee on Good Health at its meeting held on 17th November, 2005, that Health Impact Assessments form an integral part of any future major decision that affects health and well being in the Borough.



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