REPORT TO: Healthy Halton Policy and Performance Board

DATE: 11 November 2008

REPORTING OFFICER: Strategic Director, Corporate and Policy

SUBJECT: Executive Board Minutes

WARD(s): Boroughwide

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 The Minutes relating to the Health Portfolio which have been considered by the Executive Board and Executive Board Sub 19th April 2007 are attached at Appendix 1 for information.
- 1.2 The Minutes are submitted to inform the Policy and Performance Board of decisions taken in their area.
- 2.0 RECOMMENDATION: That the Minutes be noted.
- 3.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

None.

4.0 OTHER IMPLICATIONS

None.

5.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES

5.1 Children and Young People in Halton

None

5.2 Employment, Learning and Skills in Halton

None

5.3 A Healthy Halton

None

5.4 A Safer Halton

None

5.5 Halton's Urban Renewal

None

- 6.0 RISK ANALYSIS
- 6.1 None.

7.0 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES

- 7.1 None.
- 8.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972
- 8.1 There are no background papers under the meaning of the Act.

Extract of Executive Board and Executive Board Sub Committee Minutes Relevant to the Healthy Halton Policy and Performance Board EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING HELD ON 11 SEPTEMBER 2008

39. Carers Strategy 2008-09

The Board considered a report of the Strategic Director – Health and Community regarding the review of the current Carers Strategy and the resultant revised Strategy and Action Plan. It was advised that the revised Strategy built upon the aims, objectives and activities outlined in the 2006-2008 Carers Strategy and included an action plan for the continued development of services for carers in Halton over the forthcoming 12 months.

The consultation undertaken was outlined for Members' consideration together with details regarding the format of the Strategy and the areas for proposed actions. It was noted that the main objectives of the Strategy included the need to identify hidden carers, recognise and respond to carers' needs, and improve information and access to support services. The Local Implementation Team (LIT) Carer Sub Groups and the Multi Agency Area Carers' Strategy Group would undertake monitoring of the implementation of the Strategy and associated action plan.

RESOLVED: That the Carers' Strategy 2008/09 be endorsed.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING HELD ON 25 SEPTEMBER 2008

49. Health Summit

The Board considered a report of the Strategic Director – Health and Community advising of the background to, and outcome of, the Health Summit held by Halton and St. Helens Primary Care Trust (PCT) on 3rd September 2008.

It was noted that, following the publication of "Ambition for Health", the PCT had engaged with its partners and the public in prioritising health outcomes to improve the health and wellbeing of the local population. The PCT's Clinical Executive Committee and Practice Based Consortia had led this process at the Health Summit organised with Halton Borough Council, St. Helens Council, the voluntary sector and a range of other partners on 3rd September 2008. This meeting had also been attended by the Portfolio Holder for Health and Social Care, and the Chair of the Healthy Halton Policy and Performance Board.

The strategic priorities proposed by the PCT were:

Alcohol;

- Obesity;
- Early Detection: Diabetes, respiratory, heart disease, cancer;
- Early Detection: Depression;
- Prevention: Tobacco Control; and
- Safety, Quality and Efficiency: Planned and Urgent Care.

These priorities had received widespread support at the Summit.

Appendix 2 to the report contained examples of services within the Authority which undertook work/projects that supported these priorities, and specific details of how the Council could contribute to the health priorities agreed at the Health Summit were also outlined in detail within the report.

A summary of the day's discussions were to be issued by the PCT, which would lead to the development of specific workstreams that would be aligned, for example, to the work of the Health Partnership and Local Area Agreement. In order to ensure that the Council could track progress, meetings had taken place between Health and Community staff and the PCT to develop a shared process of data collection and reporting.

In receiving the report the Board noted the importance of the Council having an input into this process across all directorates. In addition, it was agreed that there was a need for further resource into the area of mental health, including depression. The Board was advised that a meeting had been held the previous week where it had been agreed that the early detection of depression and the early onset of dementia would be developed further.

RESOLVED: That

- (1) the contents of the report be noted and further reports be submitted to the Board when appropriate; and
- (2) the priorities as set out in paragraph 3.2 of the report be endorsed.