Argyll & Bute Community Planning Partnership Area Community Planning Group Partnership update Date: October 2023

Partner update – Public Health

The paper provides an update on ongoing wellbeing and prevention activity overseen and delivered by the HSCP Public Health Team in Argyll and Bute.

Alcohol and Drug Partnership -

estimated 663 more people will die and there will be 8,653 additional hospital admissions linked to alcohol, costing the NHS £10.9 million, by 2040.

This report provides us with further evidence of the positive impact of MUP in saving lives and the need to increase the MUP to counter balance the effect of inflation and mitigate the negative impact of the pandemic into the future.

The Scottish Government have published a further report on public attitudes of MUP. A survey was conducted by lpsos Mori in July 2023 with over 1000 adults. Overall, people were slightly more likely to be in favour of MUP (43%) than against it (38%).

The Alcohol and Drug Partnership would encourage you all to take part in the consultation below and submit your feedback. The link to the consultation is:

MUP Public Consultation (www.gov.scot)

The consultation asks just three questions:

Do you think Minimum Unit Pricing (MUP) should continue? Yes/No

If MUP continues, do you agree with the proposed Minimum Unit Price of 65 pence? Yes/No

We invite comments on:

Mid Argyll Kintyre and Islay:

https://www.nhshighland.scot.nhs.uk/media/xqdebbhr/demography-midargyllkintyreandislay-2022.pdf

Bute and Cowal:

https://www.nhshighland.scot.nhs.uk/media/l2paf142/demography-buteandcowal-2022.pdf

Helensburgh and Lomond:

https://www.nhshighland.scot.nhs.uk/media/rlphw0nn/demography-helensburghandlomond-2022.pdf

The information and data in the profiles are a safe evidence based resource which can be utilised by partners in a variety of ways such as to inform targeting of services, support or aid in funding applications.

Child Health Profile Development

Following positive feedback about the Adult Health Profiles, the Health Intelligence team are developing profile reports for children and young people. This will include indicators relevant to the health of children and young people in each partnership. The profiles will be published on the NHS Highland website, the estimated date for publishing these is mid November. The profile locations will be shared at the next ACPG.

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