



Glasgow City Council

City Administration Committee

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**ALCOHOL AND DRUG PARTNERSHIP (ADP) ANNUAL REPORT
& DRUG DEATH PREVENTION ACTION PLAN**

Purpose of Report:

To advise the Committee on the work of the Alcohol and Drug Partnership (ADP) in tackling drug and alcohol harms as detailed in the Annual Report to Scottish Government and on the development of the Drug Death Prevention Action Plan.

Recommendations:

The City Administration Committee is asked to:

- a) note the breadth of activity addressing alcohol and drug issues detailed in the ADP Annual Report;
- b) support the development of the Drug Death Prevention Action plan and our involvement in the national work; and
- c) agree our engagement in the National Summit.

Ward No(s):

Citywide: ✓

Local member(s) advised: Yes No consulted: Yes No

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1. Purpose of Report

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2. Background

- 2.1 The Alcohol and Drug Partnership (ADP) is the multi-agency strategic partnership which has responsibility to develop, consult on and have oversight of the city's Drugs and Alcohol Strategy.
- 2.2 The ADP is required to submit an annual report based on a Scottish Government template. This report is structured in 3 parts:
- Finance
 - the total income- £45,912,257
 - the total expenditure- £44,289,114
 - the total underspend- £1,623,143
 - the end year balance from SG earmarked allocations- £2,001,677
 - Responding to Ministerial priorities
 - A recovery oriented system approach which reduces harms and prevents alcohol and drugs deaths
 - A whole family approach on alcohol and drugs
 - A public health approach to justice for alcohol and drugs
 - Education, prevention and early intervention on alcohol and drugs
 - A reduction in the attractiveness, affordability and availability of alcohol
 - Formal arrangements for working with local partners

The ADP partners include:

- Community Forums
- Education Services
- Glasgow Life
- Glasgow Works
- Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership
- Licensing Board
- NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde
- Neighbourhoods and Sustainability
- Police Scotland
- Recovery Communities
- Scottish Ambulance Service
- Scottish Fire and Rescue Service
- Scottish Prison Service
- Voluntary Sector

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- 2.3 The Glasgow City ADP Annual report was submitted to the Scottish Government on 25th September 2019 to comply with the deadline. Feedback from the Scottish Government was received in October 2019.
- 2.4 The full report, including Scottish Government feedback, was submitted to Glasgow City Integration Joint Board (IJB) on 20 November 2019:
<https://glasgowcity.hscp.scot/sites/default/files/publications/ITEM%20No%2014%20-%20ADP%20Annual%20Report%202018-19.pdf>
- 2.5 In early 2019, concerns were highlighted around an unprecedented spike in drug related deaths in Glasgow city. A summit was organised to explore the issues, consider the evidence and decide what additional actions partners could take to improve existing ADP plans. The summit took place in April 2019 and the resulting report was submitted to the IJB in June 2019:
<https://glasgowcity.hscp.scot/sites/default/files/publications/ITEM%20No%2020%20-%20Alcohol%20and%20Drug%20Partnership%20-%20Drug%20Related%20Deaths%20-%20Street%20Drugs%20Summit.pdf>
- 2.6 In July 2019 the National Records of Scotland published the drug related deaths figures for 2018:
<https://www.nrscotland.gov.uk/files//statistics/drug-related-deaths/2018/drug-related-deaths-18-pub.pdf>

These confirmed the early reports and identified a 46% increase in drug related deaths in Glasgow since 2017.

- 2.7 The ADP Harms Group was tasked with developing the Drug Death Prevention Action Plan:
https://glasgowcity.hscp.scot/sites/default/files/publications/ITEM%20No%2015%20-%20Alcohol%20and%20Drug%20Partnership%20-%20Drug%20Related%20Deaths%20Action%20Plan_1.pdf
- 2.8 This plan has incorporated the ongoing core activity of the ADP Harms group, the new activity developed from the additional Scottish Government investment and the recommendations from the summit. This is a working document, with leads identified for individual activities who are responsible for providing progress updates to the Drug Harms Group. This will report through the Harms structure into the ADP.
- 2.9 Existing core actions which will be enhanced are outlined:
- Activity 1- Naloxone supply
 - Activity 2 - Assertive Harm Reduction in the City Centre
 - Activity 3 – Drug Related Death Review and Monitoring
 - Activity 4 - Non Fatal Overdose Assertive Outreach
 - Activity 5 – Drug Trend Monitoring

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2.10 New investment actions are outlined:

- Activity 6 - Enhanced Drug Treatment Service
- Activity 7 - Safer Consumption Facility
- Activity 8 - City Centre Engagement Group (active injectors forum)
- Activity 9 - City Centre Outreach Team
- Activity 10 - Sector Outreach Teams
- Activity 11 - Benzodiazepine urine testing pilot
- Activity 12 - Opiate Replacement Therapy optimal dosing pilot
- Activity 13 - Homeless Health Assertive Outreach Team

2.11 In addition there are a number of actions which resulted from the seminar:

- Activity 14 - Opioid Replacement Therapy coverage
- Activity 15 - Acute Harm Reduction Work
- Activity 16 - Information Sharing
- Activity 17 - Review of legislation
- Activity 18 - Public Health Drug Interest Group
- Activity 19 - Early Intervention and Harm Reduction Plan
- Activity 20 - Dedicated City Centre Street Work
- Activity 21 - Drug Awareness Training for Nighttime Economy / Large Scale Music Festivals
- Activity 22 – BBV Prevention and Treatment
- Activity 23 – Prison Interventions
- Activity 23 – Police Custody Interventions

2.12 The causes of drug related deaths are multi factorial, many aspects outwith the control of the ADP and partner agencies. However the development of the Drug Death Prevention Action Plan helps to mitigate the risks associated with current and emerging trends and supports the provision of relevant responses.

2.13 The Interim Chief Officer of the HSCP is also a member of the newly formed Ministerial Drug Deaths Task Force and will ensure a connection into our local work. We are also actively involved in preparation for a national summit on drugs deaths to ensure coherent, co-ordinated responses to the issue of drugs deaths in our city and nationally.

3. Policy and Resource Implications

Resource Implications:

Financial:

The financial resources required are reflected in the finance section of the annual report and covered by agreed investment plans.

Legal:

The action plan is constrained by the existing legal framework e.g. the Safer Consumption

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Facility requires significant legal amendments. The potential changes to legislation required to support the action plan will be identified and recommendations will be made as appropriate.

Personnel:

All staffing implications are addressed in the ADP investment plan. All changes are managed in partnership with Staff Side representatives and professional bodies in line with organisational change policies

Procurement:

No issues.

Council Strategic Plan:

The ADP Annual Report and Drug Death Prevention Action Plan supports:

Theme 4, A Healthier City (priorities 38; 47; 52)

- Glasgow is healthier
- Our services are focussed on early intervention and prevention
- Citizens and communities are more self-reliant for their health and well being
- We have integrated services with health that support Glaswegians when they need it

Theme 6, Resilient and Empowered Neighbourhoods (priorities 74; 86)

- Citizens and neighbourhoods can influence how services are developed and budgets spent
- Citizens can access good facilities, jobs and services locally
- Citizens satisfaction with services is maintained or improved

Equality and Socio-Economic Impacts:

Does the proposal support the Council's Equality Outcomes 2017-22

Outcome 9: Barriers to participation in arts, learning, physical activity, learning and culture have been reduced for people with protected characteristics.

What are the potential equality impacts as a result of this report?

People with protected characteristics will benefit from improved access to and a greater choice of services addressing alcohol and drug issues in their communities.

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Please highlight if the policy/proposal will help address socio economic disadvantage.

The activities detailed in the ADP plans are evidence based interventions, designed to improve the quality of life of the citizens of Glasgow with problematic alcohol and drug use.

Sustainability Impacts:

Environmental:

No direct impacts.

Social, including opportunities under Article 20 of the European Public Procurement Directive:

Improved outcomes and quality of life for citizens of Glasgow.

Economic:

No direct impacts.

Privacy and Data Protection impacts:

No data protection impacts.

4. Recommendations

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