



REPORT TO: HEALTHIER STRATEGIC GROUP – 29 APRIL 2010

SUBJECT: INFORMATION REPORT: GRAMPAN JOINT HEALTH PROTECTION PLAN 2010-2012

BY: DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

1. REASON FOR REPORT

1.1 The Grampian Joint Health Protection Plan 2010-2012 was presented to the Planning & Regulatory Services Committee on 6 April 2010, when it was approved and the Committee agreed to refer it to the Community Planning Healthier Strategic Group for information.

1.2 The Planning & Regulatory Services Committee advised that in future the draft Plan should be submitted in the first instance to the Community Planning Healthier Strategic Group prior to submission to the Planning & Regulatory Committee.

1.3 The Group is asked to note the Grampian Joint Health Protection Plan.

2. RECOMMENDATION

2.1 The Group is asked to note the Grampian Joint Health Protection Plan.

3. BACKGROUND

3.1 The Public Health etc (Scotland) Act 2008 places a duty on Health Boards and Local Authorities to co-operate and produce a Joint Health Protection Plan.

3.2 This is the first Joint Health Protection Plan prepared by NHS Grampian in collaboration with The Moray Council, Aberdeenshire and Aberdeen City Councils and the plan covers the period from 1 April 2010 to 31 March 2012. The plan is attached (Appendix 1**).**

3.3 NHS Grampian and the three local authorities within its area work closely to deliver services to protect the health of the population of Grampian.

Health Protection is now the accepted term to describe the work that encompasses the surveillance, investigation, control and prevention of communicable disease and environmental hazards to human health.

3.4 The Grampian Joint Health Protection Plan provides an overview of health protection priorities, provision and preparedness for NHS Grampian, The Moray, Aberdeenshire and Aberdeen City Councils as required by the Public Health etc (Scotland) Act 2008.

3.5 The main section of the plan describes the national and local priorities for health protection and the actions we plan to take over the next 2 years.

4. SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS

(a) **Single Outcome Agreement/Service Improvement Plan**

The plan links to outcomes in the Single Outcome Agreement and supports the delivery of the Grampian Health Plan 2010-2012 and the Moray Council Community Plan.

(b) **Policy and Legal**

It is a statutory duty under the Public Health etc (Scotland) Act Section 7(1) and (2) for the health board to prepare a Joint Health Protection Plan in consultation with the relevant local authorities.

(c) **Resources (Financial, Risks, Staffing and Property)**

None.

(d) **Consultations**

The Grampian Joint Health Protection Plan has been produced in collaboration with various officers from NHS Grampian, The Moray, Aberdeenshire and Aberdeen City Councils.

5. CONCLUSION

5.1 **The Joint Health Plan will make a significant contribution to the Health and Wellbeing of the people in Moray. It is an example of joint working by the three councils and NHS Grampian, and brings together key policies and practices.**

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Background Papers:
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