

		Agenda Item: 22
Report to:	Birmingham Health & Wellbeing Board	
Date:	21 st September 2021	
TITLE:	SIKH COMMUNITY HEALTH PROFILE	
Organisation	Public Health Division	
Presenting Officer	Ricky Bhandal	

Report Type:

1. Purpose:

To Update the Health and Wellbeing Board on the Sikh Community Health Profile findings and planned engagement

2. Implications:				
BHWB Strategy Priorities	Childhood Obesity	Υ		
	Health Inequalities	Υ		
Joint Strategic Needs Assessment		N		
Creating a Healthy Food City	Υ			
Creating a Mentally Healthy Cit	Υ			
Creating an Active City	Υ			
Creating a City without Inequal	Υ			
Health Protection	Υ			

3. Recommendation

It is recommended that the Health and wellbeing Board:



- 3.1 Note the contents of the report
- 3.2 Agrees to support identified findings of the report
- 3.2 Agrees to support the engagement of Birmingham citizens and stakeholders

4. Report Body

4.1 Context/Background

What is the profile about?

The Communities Team act as the community intelligence hub for Birmingham Public Health Division and wider teams across the council. As part of the Public Health Division's work to improve and reduce health inequalities experienced by citizens in Birmingham, the Communities Team are developing a series of evidence summaries focusing on specific communities of interest. The Community Health Profiles enable us to gain greater understanding and awareness of communities and their needs.

Why the Sikh was chosen?

The Sikh community was chosen as a pilot and our first religion focused community health profile. It is be used as the template for subsequent community health profiles to follow.

How the content and structure was decided

The profile is presented following the structure of the 10 key priority areas identified in the Health and Wellbeing Strategy for Birmingham 2021. It identifies and summarises the national and local evidence concerning the health, lifestyle behaviours and wider determinants of health that affect members of the Sikh community in Birmingham.

The Key findings from the Sikh Community Health Profile include:

- Higher prevalence of Polycystic syndrome, cardiovascular disease compared to the general population
- High prevalence of alcohol intake and alcohol related health issues
- Lower uptake levels across different cancer screening programmes



 Recurrent themes about lack of cultural sensitivity and language barrier issues when accessing health services

4.2 Current Circumstances

In response to the Sikh Community Health Profile, the Communities Team has developed an engagement plan- please see Appendix 3 which is presented as a template, separated into internal and external engagement, enabling key findings to influence internal Birmingham City Council and external decision making.

The proposed engagement plan includes translating both the report and the Infographic slides translated into Punjabi and easy read documents to ensure information is accessible for Birmingham citizens.

4.3 Next Steps / Delivery

The Communities Team have planned a webinar on 9th September, aiming to launch the profile, share the key findings and disseminate learning. The report, infographics and the translated complimentary documents will be shared on BCC website, BCC intranet page and other platforms as detailed on the Engagement plan - see appendix 3

Other Community Health Profiles

The Communities Team will produce 8 Community Health Profiles during the financial year 2021-2022, focusing on communities of interest by rotating religion, ethnicity, sexuality, and disability communities.

5. Compliance Issues

5.1 HWBB Forum Responsibility and Board Update

How progress will be reported to the (shadow) HWB

- Updates following delivery of engagement plan including impact report
- Regular updates to PH DPH

Methodology for managing day to day progress

- Delivery of the engagement plan is by the Communities Team
- Engagement Plan is kept up to date by team members



5.2 Management Responsibility

Ricky Bhandal (Service Manager - Communities)

6. Risk Analysis

Identified Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Actions to Manage Risk
Partners not supporting the report findings	Low	High	Ensure the report and findings are available on different platforms and through a variety of resources.
Not able to engage with the Sikh communities	Low	High	Share the findings with Community Leaders and Sikh specific organisations through the detailed Engagement Plan

Appendices

- 1. Sikh Community Health Profile Report (English)
- 2. Sikh Community Health Profile Report (Punjabi)
- 3. Sikh Community Health Profile Infographics (English)
- 4. Sikh Community Health Profile Infographics (Punjabi)
- 5. Sikh community Health Profile Engagement plan

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