

Background information:	
Partnership Name	Strategic Health Partnership
Type of Partnership	Instrumental in developing/influencing policies
Brief description of purpose	No clear purpose has been determined
Any key achievements to date	None to date
Officer name	Karen Whitfield
Other officers who attend	None
Which organisation is the accountable body	WLDC
Any legal liabilities	None
Benefits:	
Does the partnership help to deliver any statutory duties	None
Does the partnership help to deliver any services	None
Does the partnership help to deliver any corporate objectives	If effective the partnership would contribute to the priorities of housing, health and vulnerable groups (new Corporate Plan content)
How important/valuable do you consider the meetings to	
Are the meetings well attended by other key	
Are meetings well planned and purposeful	
Other comments on the benefit of the partnership:	Benefits are hard to identify
Costs:	
Annual number of officer hours	Time to attend meetings:
	Preparation for meetings
	Report writing:
	Time briefing officers/members:
	Other:
Travel costs	Location of meetings:
	Number of meetings per year:
Annual financial contributions	None
Additional information:	<p>This partnership has derived from the Challenge & Improvement Committee's Health Commission which sought to identify and address the health related issues facing the District. This brought together health related providers to discuss matters. However no clear action plan resulted from this work other than a desire to continue in some shape or form, overseen by the Prosperous Communities Committee. Hence the notion of a Strategic Health Partnership. Despite best intentions of Members, there appears to be a lack of understanding as to the role and influence the District Council has in health provision. It is not a statutory obligation, nor do we directly fund any resource in this area. Unless a clear plan of action can be determined, it is felt that the partnership is not something that should continue and another means of keeping abreast of health related matters that affect the District will need to be identified.</p>