

WEST CHESHIRE TOGETHER LSP REPORT

Report title	Western Cheshire Annual Public Health Report 2009
Description	<p>The Annual Public Health Report is produced by the Director of Public Health and is an independent assessment of the health needs and issues of the local population.</p> <p>The theme of this year's report focuses on worklessness and the impact of the economic downturn on both the physical and mental health of the population of Cheshire West and Chester.</p>
Document purpose	The report examines how unemployment and financial hardship can increase stress, anxiety and depression, how issues related to housing can affect health and summarises the evidence available to support the potential actions which partners in Western Cheshire could take together to lessen the effects of the "Credit Crunch". It also looks at the impact of reduced levels of public spending and the challenge facing the NHS to maintain and improve quality with the same or reduced funding.
Circulation list	West Cheshire Together
Decision/Action required	The Partnership is asked to receive the Western Cheshire Annual Public Health Report 2009 and endorse the recommendations made in the report.
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