

<b>Item No.</b> 5.2	<b>Classification:</b> Open	<b>Date:</b> 21 January 2015	<b>Meeting Name:</b> Council Assembly
<b>Report title:</b>		Motions – Late Motion	
<b>Ward(s) or groups affected:</b>		All	
<b>From:</b>		Proper Constitutional Officer	

**3. MOTION FROM COUNCILLOR DAVID NOAKES** (seconded by Councillor Dan Garfield)

**Motion on HIV testing**

1. That Southwark council:
  - i. Recognises the importance of local action in coordinating and commissioning accessible and effective HIV testing to reach the undiagnosed and reduce late HIV diagnosis
  - ii. Recognises that Southwark has a high prevalence of HIV (over 2 diagnosed per 1,000 residents) and commits to strengthening its own provision of HIV testing services through working with local NHS partners, HIV charities and patient groups
  - iii. Recognises that late HIV diagnosis is a Public Health Outcomes Indicator in the Public Health Outcomes Framework
  - iv. Recognises the volume and quality of public health and local government guidelines and performance indicators designed to support local authority implementation and monitoring of appropriate and effective testing guidelines.
  
2. The council further notes:
  - i. That an estimated 100,000 people were living in England with HIV in 2012; 22% were unaware of their status
  - ii. That there is an impact of late diagnosis on individual health, public health and health budgets. Late diagnosis increases the likelihood of the need for complex and expensive treatment and the risk of onward transmission to others. 47% of people diagnosed with HIV in 2012 were diagnosed late (with a CD4 count <350mm<sup>3</sup>)
  - iii. That if diagnosed early, put on a clear treatment pathway and guaranteed access to antiretroviral therapy (ART), people living with HIV can expect to have a near-normal life expectancy and live healthy and active lives.
  
3. Recognising the weight of evidence in favour of expanding local HIV testing services, Southwark Council:
  - i. Resolves to:
    - Act to halve the proportion of people diagnosed late with HIV (CD4 count <350mm<sup>3</sup>) in Southwark by 2020
    - Act to halve the proportion of people living with undiagnosed HIV in Southwark by 2020.
  - ii. Further resolves to:

- Ensure that rates of late diagnosed HIV are included as an indicator in its Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA)
  - Ask the Director of Public Health to provide a report outlining what needs to be done locally in commissioning and provision of services in order to halve late diagnosed and undiagnosed HIV by 2020
  - Become a supporter of the Halve It Coalition by contacting the Halve It secretariat ([info@halveit.org.uk](mailto:info@halveit.org.uk)) informing them of this resolution and by agreeing to be listed as a Halve It coalition supporter.
- **Note:** If the motion is agreed, any proposals will be submitted to the cabinet for consideration.