Appendix 4: Summary of internal survey on flu jabs

Staff Flu Vaccination Survey - January 2015

Background

The survey was undertaken by Public Health, using survey monkey, as part of the Immunisation and Vaccination work stream.

The purpose of the survey was to find out; who had heard of the offer of free flu vaccinations for staff, if they had taken advantage of this opportunity (and if not, why), where they went to have their vaccination, as well as if they had any suggestions or comments.

The flu vaccination survey was completed by 254 members of staff. Staff members from Transport and Environment, Housing and Adult Social Care were the highest respondents to the survey.

Summary of findings

Planning

A decision needs to be made on whether flu vaccination is offered across the Council in 2015/16 and what the funding source will be before the vaccination campaign in July in order to give enough time for planning the campaign and developing communications materials

Communications

Promotional materials need to be developed to help dispel some of the persistent myths surrounding flu vaccination, including evidence of effectiveness of the vaccine as well as addressing the issue of side effects.

Administration

Investigate methods to enable staff at outlying offices to more easily obtain vaccination which may include need for provision of a mobile clinic.

Uptake data

Investigate a process whereby staff members can inform us that they have received vaccination from their GP or other sources so that the true vaccination rates for Council staff can be monitored.