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## CONSULTATION

In August 2003, a list of consultation questions for *Securing Good Health for the Whole Population* was published on the Treasury website (available at: [www.hm-treasury.gov.uk/wanless](http://www.hm-treasury.gov.uk/wanless)) seeking views on:

- **Delivery of public health, including;** best practice, systems of prioritisation for public health interventions, public health policy implementation;
- **Cost-effectiveness evaluation in public health, including;** measures of cost-effectiveness, difficulties and barriers to implementing a cost-effectiveness approach; and
- **Requirements for reaching the fully engaged scenario, including;** priorities in public health over the next 20 years, factors affecting the health status of the population, research and evidence.

Consultation ended in November 2003, following a period of consultation of over twelve weeks, in accordance with the Compact<sup>1</sup>.

In addition, two reviews were commissioned, one on international comparisons of public health policy from the European Observatory on Health Care Systems and one on economic evaluation of public health from York Health Economics Consortium.

### CONSULTATION QUESTIONS

- What is best practice, in the UK and internationally, in public health policy?
- How can we compare and prioritise between different public health interventions?
- What is the best way to develop a cost-effective way of managing diseases (this can be with reference to one specific disease area)?
- Is there a measure of cost-effectiveness that can be applied consistently across different interventions to improve population health?
- How do public health measures compare with other measures and interventions in terms of cost-effectiveness?
- What are the priorities in public health over the next 20 years that will help us to meet the fully engaged scenario?
- And what does this mean for the health status of the population in 2022?
- Is implementation of public health policy to date, and particularly over the last year, consistent with the fully engaged scenario?
- What are the difficulties and barriers to implementing a cost-effectiveness approach?
- How should the research programme to provide developing knowledge be funded and directed?

<sup>1</sup> *Compact: getting it right together, Consultation and Policy Appraisal: a Code of Good Practice*, Home Office, 2003

**9.25** There was strong interest in the consultation. Over 200 submissions were received by both email and post. All responses were systematically analysed for relevant content. Written responses were received from:

## NHS

Addenbrooke's NHS Trust  
Association of Public Health Observatories  
Barnet Primary Care Trust  
Bradford District Care Trust  
Bristol South and West Primary Care Trust  
Bury Primary Care Trust  
Central Liverpool NHS Primary Care Trust  
Cheshire and Merseyside Strategic Health Authority  
Cumbria and Lancashire Strategic Health Authority  
East Midlands Directors of Public Health of PCTs and SHAs  
Easington Primary Care Trust  
East Kent Coastal Primary Care Trust  
Ellesmere Port and Neston Primary Care Trust  
Health Development Agency  
Health Protection Agency  
Heart of Birmingham Primary Care Trust  
Liverpool and Sefton Public Health Network  
Liverpool Public Health Observatory  
Milton Keynes Primary Care Trust  
Morecambe Bay Primary Care Trust  
National Institute for Clinical Excellence (NICE)  
Newcastle Primary Care Trust  
Newham Primary Care Trust  
Norfolk, Suffolk and Cambridgeshire Strategic Health Authority  
North and East Yorkshire and Northern Lincolnshire Strategic Health Authority  
North Central London Strategic Health Authority  
North East London Strategic Health Authority  
Northern General Hospital  
Northumberland, Tyne and Wear Strategic Health Authority  
Regional Directors of Public Health  
South Birmingham Primary Care Trust  
South East Public Health Observatory  
South Liverpool Primary Care Trust  
South Sefton Primary Care Trust  
South Yorkshire Strategic Health Authority  
University Hospitals Coventry and Warwickshire NHS Trust  
Wednesbury and West Bromwich Primary Care Trust

## Other Government bodies and agencies

Advertising Standards Authority  
Audit Commission  
Birmingham City Council  
City of Bradford District Council  
Commission for Health Improvement  
Commission for Patient and Public Improvement in Health  
Commission for Racial Equality  
Cornwall County Council  
East Midlands Assembly, Public Health Task Group  
Fuel Poverty Advisory Group  
Government Office for the South West  
Health and Safety Executive  
Kent County Council  
Met Office  
National Audit Office  
NHS Alliance  
Office of the Deputy Prime Minister  
Sustainable Development Commission  
Sport England  
The Countryside Agency  
Trading Standards Institute  
Welsh Assembly Government

## Royal colleges

Faculty of Public Health  
Royal College of General Practitioners  
Royal College of Physicians  
Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh  
Royal College of Surgeons, Edinburgh  
Royal College of Surgeons of England  
Royal College of Midwives  
Royal College of Nursing  
Royal Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain  
Royal Society for the Promotion of Health

## Academic institutions

Aberdeen University, School of Epidemiology and Health Sciences  
La Trobe University, School of Public Health  
London School of Economics and Political Science  
London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine  
Princeton University  
School for Social Entrepreneurs  
School of Pharmacy, University of London  
University College London  
University of Cambridge, Institute of Public Health  
University of Dundee, Epidemiology and Public Health  
University of Durham, School for Health  
University of Leeds  
University of Liverpool, Department of Public Health  
University of Manchester, School of Epidemiology and Health Sciences  
University of Wales, Swansea

## Professional bodies and organisations

AIM UK  
Association for the Study of Obesity  
British Medical Association  
British Dental Association  
British Society for Rheumatology  
British Thoracic Society  
Council of Heads of Medical Schools  
Local Government Association  
New Health Network  
NHS Confederation  
Scottish Specialists in Pharmaceutical Public Health  
The British In Vitro Diagnostics Association  
Vascular Surgical Society of Great Britain and Ireland

## Business and Industry

Abbott Laboratories Limited  
AstraZeneca UK Ltd.  
Boots Group Plc.  
BUPA  
Catalyst Healthcare Management  
Electronic Data Systems Ltd.  
GlaxoSmithKline  
Lilly Pharmaceuticals  
Lloyds Pharmacy  
Norwich Union Healthcare  
Ovations, United Health Group  
Pharmaceutical Schizophrenia Initiative  
Pharmaceutical Services Negotiating Committee  
Proprietary Association of Great Britain  
Roche Diagnostics Ltd.  
SmartSensor Telemed Ltd.  
Standard Life Healthcare  
Vielife

## Patient organisations, charitable and voluntary organisations

Action on Smoking and Health  
Alzheimer's Society  
Association of Community Health Councils for England and Wales  
British Computer Society Health Informatics Committee  
British Heart Foundation  
British Hypertension Society  
British Lung Foundation  
Blood Pressure Association  
Cancer Campaigning Group  
Cholesterol UK  
Commission for Patient and Public Involvement in Health  
Consensus Action on Salt and Health  
CounterWeight  
Developing Patient Partnerships  
Diabetes UK  
Federation of City Farms and Community Gardens  
Green Alliance  
Help the Aged  
International Diabetes Federation  
International Non-Governmental Coalition Against Tobacco

**INVOLVE**

Maharishi Foundation  
Maternity Alliance  
Medicines Partnership  
Men's Health Forum  
Mind  
Move4Health  
National Cycling Strategy  
National Heart Forum  
Pharmacy Practice Research Trust  
PHorum  
Suffolk Disability and Health Action Group  
Sustrans Sustainable Transport  
Terrence Higgins Trust  
The Medical Technology Group  
The Obesity Awareness and Solutions Trust  
The Sainsbury Centre for Mental Health  
United Kingdom Public Health Association  
Welsh Food Alliance

**Research groups**

Centre for Health Services and Policy Research  
Centre for Suicide Prevention  
Genewatch UK  
Institute of Rural Health  
King's Fund  
National Institute for Public Health and the Environment  
Picker Institute Europe  
The Nuffield Trust for Research and Policy Studies in Health Services  
York Health Policy Group

**Devolved administrations**

NHS Scotland

**Overseas governments and WHO**

Commonwealth Department of Health and Ageing  
Queensland Health, Australia  
World Health Organisation

## Individuals

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## VISITS

**9.26** In addition to the consultation, Derek Wanless and colleagues attended visits as part of the situation analysis of public health delivery. The information gained from these visits also fed into the report through the consultation analysis. 11 visits took place, to a variety of organisations and sectors involved in public health delivery. Each visit was attended by representatives from a number of local organisations including health and local government. The visits were organised by:

Milton Keynes PCT	24th September 2003
Cheshire and Merseyside PCT	24th October 2003
Wednesbury and West Bromwich PCT	17th November 2003
South West GOR	18th November 2003
North East London SHA	19th November 2003
Northumberland, Tyne and Wear SHA	24th November 2003
Westminster Primary Care Trust	27th November 2003
Norfolk, Suffolk and Cambridgeshire SHA	28th November 2003
Kent County Council	9th December 2003
Yorkshire and Humber GOR, Airedale PCT (Evercare Project), Kirklees Council	12th December 2003
South East London SHA	18th December 2003

