

Health Scrutiny Panel – Meeting held on Monday, 26th March, 2018.

Present:- Councillors Rana (Chair), Smith (Vice-Chair), Ajaib, Chaudhry, M Holledge, Qaseem, A Sandhu, Sarfraz and Strutton

Apologies for Absence:- Colin Pill

PART I

54. Declarations of Interest

None were declared.

55. Minutes of the Last Meeting held on 18th January 2018

Resolved – That the minutes of the last meeting held on 18th January 2018 be approved as a correct record.

56. Action Progress Report

The Panel noted the progress made on the actions agreed at recent meetings. Further information was tabled with regards to the issues raised by Members at the last meeting on 18th January on the free use of the cycle hire scheme for looked after children and the measures being taken to tackle problem drinking and smoking in parks and open spaces. Members asked about the level of enforcement of the Public Space Protection Order in Salt Hill Park and it was agreed that further information would be provided.

Resolved –

(a) That the Action Progress Report be noted.

(b) That further information be provided to the Panel on the level of enforcement of the Public Space Protection Order in Salt Hill Park and the number of penalty notices issued.

57. Member Questions

No questions had been received from Members.

58. ASD / ADHD All Age Autism Hub

The Panel received a report on the work of a project team which was scoping the possibility of a Berkshire wide Ageless Autism and Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) service. The work would deliver an options appraisal of how to improve clinical care and holistic support for people and their families with autism or ADHD.

There was an identified pressure from the growth in demand for services relating to autism and ADHD and the six Berkshire local authorities and two

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Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) were jointly funding the study. The CCGs had begun scoping a potential Berkshire wide service which would be informed by the demand and usage of services. The Panel discussed the timetable for the project and it was noted that the work to establish data, gaps and options would take six months and would be followed by a decision on the potential commissioning of any new service.

Members discussed how the hub might operate and stressed the importance of ensuring that the services were accessible to Slough residents. It was responded that the location and shape of the service was not yet determined and would emerge from the scoping exercise and consultation with service users and stakeholders. It was recognised that there was increasing demand for services due in part to improved diagnosis and it was important that services responded to the diagnosis demand. The demand patterns hadn't previously been modelled and the study would therefore help inform the future support services.

At the conclusion of the discussion, the Panel agreed that it supported the work of the study and that a report on the options and outcomes be received at a future meeting.

Resolved –

- (a) That report be noted.
- (b) That the Panel endorse the work being undertaken to scope the service for an ASD / ADHD All Age Autism Hub.
- (c) That the Panel receive a further progress report in 2018-19 on the outcome of the scoping exercise.

59. Slough Wellbeing Board's Annual Report 2017/18

The Service Lead Strategy & Performance introduced a report on the draft Slough Wellbeing Board Annual Report for 2017/18 that set out the work of the partnership to improve health and wellbeing outcomes in Slough.

It was noted that the partnership in Slough went beyond the statutory role of Health & Wellbeing Boards elsewhere by involving the Police, Fire Service, businesses and others to address the wider determinants of health. The draft annual report detailed some of the work that had been done over the past year and Members had the opportunity to comment on and suggest case studies for inclusion in the final version that would be considered by full Council for endorsement in July 2018.

A Member raised the relatively low take up of cancer screening in Slough and it was agreed to refer to the work being done on increasing the take up in the annual report. At the conclusion of the discussion, the annual report was noted.

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Resolved – That the draft SWB Annual Report be noted and that any further comments from Members be forwarded to the Service Lead Strategy & Performance.

60. Five Year Plan: Outcome 2 Update

The Director of Adults & Communities introduced a report that updated the Panel on the progress of Outcome 2, particularly key actions 1, 3 and 5, of the Council's Five Year Plan: *'Our people will become healthier and will manage their own health, care and support needs.'*

The key actions scrutinised were:

- Key action 1: Target those individuals most at risk of poor health and wellbeing outcomes to take up health checks.
- Key action 3: Build capacity within the community to enable a focus on supporting more people to manage their own health, care and support needs.
- Key action 5: Ensure people are at the centre of the adult safeguarding process and are supported to manage any risks.

The Panel discussed a number of issues including:

- What was the impact of the 1,600 behaviour change referrals? It was responded that it was too early to assess the impact but the Council was working closely with Solutions 4 Health to deliver effective programmes. Tracking of outcomes was undertaken but was a long term process.
- Prevention and awareness raising was a key area of activity and the Wellbeing Board #berealistic campaign was cited as an example of proactive work being undertaken to help promote healthier lifestyles.
- The impact of demographic change on service pressures and available resources to meet demand was considered. It was recognised that in the future more people would need help for longer and the approach was to seek to intervene early to delay or prevent the need for more intensive support. Programmes were designed after taking demographics into account, although additional resources were always welcome to invest in services.
- The timescale for capacity building measures was not set as it was an ongoing process. Slough benefitted from a strong voluntary and community sector and the Council was seeking to work with them to deliver services, such as through the SPACE programme.
- The issue of loneliness and isolation was raised and the role of extended families and strong communities was discussed. There wasn't a significant amount of information and data on isolation, however, it had been a strong theme of the last Slough Wellbeing Board conference and was a campaign priority for the next year.
- The progress of the use of information technology and shift to direct payments as previously discussed by the Panel was raised. It was

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noted that there were now 404 direct payments compared to 188 in March 2014.

- The engagement of service users was recognised as being important and work was underway to move towards a new model of co-production. It was agreed to receive an update on engagement including community conferences and the new Co-Production Board at the next meeting and that the Co-Chair be invited.

The take up of health checks was relatively low and the Cabinet and Slough Wellbeing Board members had agreed to play a leadership role by having checks. Panel Members were also offered the opportunity to have checks and it was agreed to help promote the programme in this way.

The Panel discussed the role of the Sustainability and Transformation Partnership in the work and it was agreed to invite the chair, Sir Andrew Morris, to the next meeting of the Panel to present on the STP, including the priority on prevention.

At the conclusion of the discussion, the Panel noted the report.

Resolved –

- (a) That the update be noted.
- (b) That the next update to the Panel include further information on the impact of interventions delivered by Solutions 4 Health in changing behaviour.
- (c) That the Panel receive a report at the next meeting on the resident and service user engagement.
- (d) That Sir Andrew Morris be invited to the next meeting provide an update on the STP.

61. Update Report on the Reconfiguration of the Borough's Activities for People with Learning Disabilities

The Panel received an update on the progress made in enhancing the range of community based provision for people with a learning disability following the reconfiguration of day centres in 2017.

The update included generally positive feedback from service users and their carers that had been effected by the changes to building based day centres, which had been reduced from 3 to 2, and the extension of community based activities. The report highlighted that many service users said they were seeing more of their friends and learning new skills from the range of community activity, although some stated that the timing and transport arrangements for the activities could be further improved. Members noted that the community based offer had been enhanced such as an allotment behind the Britwell Hub. Of the seventy-eight people continuing to access day

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centre provision at either Priors, Phoenix or the new facility at the Britwell Hub, feedback at focus groups indicated they were happy with the activities offered. Parents or carers also indicated their satisfaction with services.

The Panel welcomed the consultation that had been carried out to ensure that the reconfigured services reflected the views of service users. Members discussed the use of technology in promoting independent living skills, the future delivery of services from the Britwell Hub and the help provided to transport people to community based activities. A question was asked about the costs and it was agreed that further information be provided on the comparative cost to other areas of day centre provision.

The point raised about transport provision led to a wider discussion about access to transport and services for people with disabilities. It was reported that the Council was already taking action and was seeking to bring in Disability Action Guides locally, however, it was recognised that more action could be taken. Members agreed to request that Cabinet affirm its commitment to make Slough a disability friendly town and then the Panel would establish a scrutiny Task & Finish Group to explore the further practical measures that could be taken to achieve this aim.

Resolved –

- (a) That the update on the Reconfiguration of the Borough's Activities for People with Learning Disabilities be noted.
- (b) That it be arranged for the Panel to visit Phoenix Day Centre and Priors Day Centre following the refurbishment.
- (c) That a recommendation be made to the Cabinet to seek its commitment in principle to take further action to make Slough a 'disability friendly town'.
- (d) That the Panel receive a report at the first meeting of the municipal year on 28th June 2018 to establish a Task & Finish Group to explore the practical issues and steps required to make Slough a 'disability friendly town'.

62. Members' Attendance Record

Resolved – That the Members' Attendance Record 2017/18 be noted.

63. Date of Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting of the Panel was confirmed as Thursday 28th June 2018.

Chair

(Note: The Meeting opened at 6.30 pm and closed at 8.03 pm)

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