

**GATESHEAD METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**CARE, HEALTH AND WELLBEING OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**  
**MEETING**

**Tuesday, 23 April 2019**

**PRESENT:** Councillor S Green (Chair)

Councillor(s): M Charlton, W Dick, K Ferdinand,  
B Goldsworthy, M Goldsworthy, I Patterson, J Simpson,  
J Wallace, A Wheeler, J Lee and Gibson

**APOLOGIES:** Councillor(s): C Bradley, M Hood, P Maughan, R Mullen,  
P McNally and M Hall

**CHW129 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING**

The Committee agreed the minutes of the last meeting, held on 22 January 2019 as a correct record.

**CHW130 GATESHEAD HEALTHWATCH UPDATE AND HEALTHWATCH CONTINUING CARE RECOMMENDATIONS**

Kim Newton and Michael Brown from Healthwatch provided a verbal update on progress made by Healthwatch and its work on the Continuing Care Recommendations.

Steph Downey, Service Director Adult Social Care also provided a verbal update on progress relating to recommendations from the Council on Continuing Care and Julia Young, Director of Quality Development, Newcastle Gateshead CCG provided a presentation and verbal update on the progress relating to recommendations for CCG.

The Committee requested that live case studies be brought to a future meeting of the  
the  
Committee for information.

- RESOLVED -
- i) That the information be noted.
  - ii) That live case studies be brought back for information to a future meeting of the Committee.

## **CHW131    PROGRESS UPDATE ON DUNSTON HILL PROPOSALS**

Michael Laing, Associate Director, Community Services, Gateshead Care Partnership provided a powerpoint presentation and verbal update on the Dunston Hill Proposals, which included the proposals agreed previously by the OSC relating to an exit strategy for St Bede's Day Care Services and the Younger Persons Dementia Unit which were situated at the Dunston Hill site.

The Committee requested that a site visit would be beneficial in the near future to the Bensham Hospital Site to view the new facilities for the relocated Younger Persons Dementia Unit.

- RESOLVED -
- i) That the information be noted.
  - ii) That a Committee site visit be arranged in due course to visit Woodside, the Younger Persons Dementia Unit situated at the Bensham Hospital site in due course.

## **CHW132    REVIEW OF WORK TO HELP PEOPLE STAY AT HOME SAFELY - FINAL REPORT**

The Committee received the final report as part of its review "Helping People Stay at Home Safely". The review has been carried out over a six month period and centred on the 6 core themes of:-

- Assistive technology and digital information;
- Enablement services;
- Housing options to support independent living;
- Commissioning for enablement services;
- Emergency and community services;
- Personalisation and choice.

As a result of the review, the following draft recommendations have been proposed:-

**Recommendation 1** – to explore potential delivery models (with colleagues in health), in relation to the prevention of admissions to hospital for those people who arrive at A&E/Urgent Care, building on best practice evidence nationally and regionally.

**Recommendation 2** – to work with partners in the Council, the ADASS regional team, and the ICS workforce stream to develop career pathways for health and social care, in order to address the workforce issues across the sectors.

**Recommendation 3** – to further develop the Extra Care offer in Gateshead, in particular focusing on the provision of Dementia Specific Extra Care provision, which can meet the needs of people with cognitive impairment, and enable them to continue living in the community, thereby preventing admissions to care.

**Recommendation 4** – to continue to further develop the enablement offer within the

services the Council provides and commissions, thereby preventing more people from requiring long term care.

**Recommendation 5** – to continue to work with NHS colleagues and commissioned providers to continue the downward trajectory of Delayed Transfers of care (DTOCs), enabling people to be “discharged to assess”, and reducing delayed transfers of care from hospital.

**Recommendation 6** – to undertake a systematic review of all assessment functions, to explore the potential to introduce “Trusted Assessor” models, thereby reducing duplication across the system whilst improving the journey for people using health and care services.

**Recommendation 7** – develop and operationalise an Assistive Technology strategy, including the opportunity to learn from local, regional and national technology projects.

- RESOLVED -
- i) That the information be noted
  - ii) The Chair of the OSC will present the draft recommendations to Cabinet in due course.

#### **CHW133 WORK TO ADDRESS THE HARMS CAUSED BY TOBACCO - UPDATE ON RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Committee received a report providing a twelve month review update on the recommendations into the work to address the harms caused by tobacco.

RESOLVED - That the information be noted

#### **CHW134 HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD - PROGRESS UPDATE**

The Committee received a report providing an update on the work of the Gateshead and Wellbeing Board for the six month period October 2018 to March 2019.

The following key issues considered by the Health and Wellbeing Board:

- Joint Strategic Needs Assessment: Update/Refresh
- Thriving in Gateshead – rethinking Health & Wellbeing Conference
- Integrating Health and Care in Gateshead
- Director of Public Health Annual Report 2018
- Strategic and Operational Plans
- Impact of the Roll out of Universal Credit
- OFSTED Inspection of LA Children’s Services: Self Evaluation & Annual Conversation Update
- Annual Report on Permanent Exclusions (2017/18)
- Adult Mental Health – ‘Gateshead Newcastle Deciding Together, Delivering Together’
- Personal Health Budgets Update

- Assurance Agenda

The Committee were asked if they wished to be involved in the Health and Wellbeing Board Draft Strategy, currently under development.

- RESOLVED -
- i) That the information be noted
  - ii) That the OSC be involved in the preparation of the Health and Wellbeing Board Draft Strategy
  - iii) That a further six month update be provided in due course

### **CHW135 ANNUAL WORK PROGRAMME REVIEW AND FORWARD PLAN**

The Committee received a report set out in two parts. The first part highlights how the work of this Committee has helped influence/shape the development of policy/decision making/performance improvement work during 2018-19 and the second part details proposals for the development of the work programme for OSC'S and sets out the provisional work programme for the Care, Health and Wellbeing OSC for the municipal year 2019-20.

The Committee requested that the Health and Wellbeing Board Draft Strategy be included in the forthcoming work programme.

- RESOLVED -
- i) That the information be noted
  - ii) That the Committee endorsed the OSC's provisional work programme for 2019-20 and refer it to Council on 23 May 2019 for agreement.
  - iii) Note that further reports will be brought to the Committee to identify any additional issues which the Committee may be asked to consider.

**Chair.....**