

## **Health and Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee,**

**1<sup>st</sup> September 2022.**

Present: Councillor Jacqueline Slater, in the chair, Councillors Harling, Hardman Smith and Whittingham.

Also Present Councillor D. Talbot, Executive Member, Public Health and Wellbeing,

Abdul Razak Director of Public Health

Mark Warren, Strategic Director Adults and Health.

Catherine White, Deputy Director Adult Social Care.

Paul Conlon, Democratic Services.

### **1. Welcome and Apologies.**

The Chair welcomed those present to the first meeting of the Committee following its establishment at the recent council meeting. Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Irfan.

### **2. Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest made at the meeting.

### **3. Integrated Care Board.**

The Committee received an in depth briefing on the revised arrangements for Health services delivered in the Lancashire and South Cumbria area. The Integrated Care Board had been established and come in to effect on 1<sup>st</sup> July and were responsible for the commissioning and delivery of health services in the whole area. The Clinical Commissioning Groups had been abolished and revised structures implemented that work on local neighbourhood areas. The Committee were informed of the issues relating to the deprivation of the borough and how the new systems were intended to ensure that services were best provided where need was greatest.

#### **Resolved**

That the Committee monitor closely the revised health structures and would be looking to see the positive outcomes from the creation of the Integrated Care Board and the changes that the new structures would seek to reduce health deprivation in the borough.

### **4. Adult Social Care.**

The Committee looked at the work of the Adult and Social Care portfolio area the activity and performance and the changes in demand. The Committee looked at how the department managed demand and the structure of the department and pathways to care.

The Committee looked at how changes in legislation would affect the delivery of services and the strategic context for the reforms. The health and care act set out a 10 year vision for the reforms to provide individuals with choice and control, access to outstanding quality and personalised care and support. The Committee were informed of the charging reform and how this would affect service users and reform the way that the care market would be sustainable for the future. The impact of the reforms was outlined and how the service would need to adapt to meet the challenges. The Committee would continue to monitor the changes in Social Care and the implications for services users and providers to ensure that the challenges faced would be met.

The Committee were informed of the Care Quality Commission inspection provision that was contained in the Health and Care Act to be carried out in the near future and the assurance framework that would be used to assess performance of Key Stakeholders. Details were still to be finalised and would go live for the process to be fully activated in April 2023. Work had commenced on his area and the Committee were made aware of progress.

**Resolved-**

1. That the update be noted.
2. That the committee be kept informed of developments in the adult care home provision in the borough and the issues faces and how these were to be addressed.

**5. Work programme for the Committee.**

Members discussed the work programme for the new Committee and how they could make a positive difference and add value to the work of the executive. The Committee were informed that the People Overview and Scrutiny Committee had looked at the work of the Executive Member at their last meeting and had agreed to establish a task group to examine Leisure services Re:refresh and leisure centres with a particular focus on how we are seeking to improve use of facilities, how we are meeting the challenges of the competition and how the refresh scheme is working before the next meeting of the committee in December.

**Resolved-**

That a task group be established to meet with officers and report back on the current usage of leisure centres and the challenges faced and report back to the next meeting of the Committee.

Chair (at the meeting where the minutes were signed).....

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