

PUBLIC

MINUTES of a meeting of **IMPROVEMENT AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - PEOPLE** held on Wednesday, 9 November 2022 at Council Chamber, County Hall, Matlock.

PRESENT

Councillor T Kemp (in the Chair)

Councillors J Woolley, R George, P Rose, D Taylor and J Wharmby.

Apologies for absence were submitted for Councillor S Burfoot and C Dale.

32/22 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

33/22 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 07 September 2022 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

34/22 PUBLIC QUESTIONS (30 MINUTE MAXIMUM IN TOTAL)

There were no public questions.

35/22 PREVENTION AND PERSONALISATION ASSESSMENTS AND REVIEWS

The Committee had been provided with a report and a presentation, informing them of the work undertaken by the Adult Social Care prevention and personalisation teams and the legislative framework within which they operate.

They had been appraised of the strength-based approach taken by prevention and personalisation teams and the Adult Social Care Practice Framework within which they operate. As well as the quality assurance arrangements in place and were provided with assurance that the current working arrangements and processes supported people to maximise independence, choice, and autonomy to enabled individuals to live independent lives.

Committee Members gained further information on how the Adult Social Care teams worked collaboratively with the NHS and how their staff worked within the hospitals across and around the County. As well as how care at home was arranged for those being discharged from hospital.

Adult Social Care Officers were to bring back a further report to a later date of the Committee on details not outlined within the report.

RESOLVED to

- 1) Note the work undertaken by the Adult Social Care prevention and personalisation teams and the legislative framework within which they operate;
- 2) Note the strength-based approach taken by prevention and personalisation teams and the Adult Social Care Practice Framework within which they operate; and
- 3) Be informed of the quality assurance arrangements in place and be assured that the current working arrangements and processes supported people to maximise independence, choice, and autonomy to enable individuals to live independent lives.

36/22 CONSULTATION AND ENGAGEMENT OF THE OLDER PEOPLE'S INDEPENDENT LIVING SERVICES

A report was presented to Cabinet on 10 March 2022 which sought approval to undertake a public consultation on proposals for the Future Provision of the Older People's Independent Living Services (OP ILS). Following Cabinet approval, the consultation took place between 28 March 2022 and 19 June 2022.

The purpose of the report was to inform the Improvement and Scrutiny Committee (People) of the outcome of the public consultation on proposals for the future provision of OP ILS.

Following questions from Committee members, Officers explained that the recommendation from the 10 March 2022 Cabinet report was to consult, and the proposals would be consulted by Cabinet members.

Officers provided further information on the number of service users as well as those using the service that had provided a response to the consultation. Officers were satisfied that results were consistent.

RESOLVED to

- 1) Note the responses to the public consultation;
- 2) Note that responses to the consultation would be considered and included within a comprehensive and robust EIA which would be incorporated within any future Cabinet Report which may be presented in due course, and further note that in the event of this occurring Cabinet

would fully consider the EIA as part of its decision making; and

3) Consider responses to the Public Consultation and provide any comments to Cabinet for consideration when making its decision on any future recommendations.

37/22 TRANSITION TO ADULTHOOD

The Committee was updated on and considered the current programme of work for disabled, young people living within Derbyshire.

Through the “Achieving Great Futures” and “Best Life Derbyshire” programmes Adult Social Care and Children’s services had been developing together new ways of working to improve the outcomes for disabled young people as they transitioned into adulthood and transferred from Children’s services to Adult Social Care support.

Following questions from Committee Members, officers outlined the progress and improvements that had been seen following the work done with young people before they turned 18 years old and were transitioned from Children’s Services to Adult Social Care teams. As well as confirming their work supporting districts and boroughs with accommodation for younger people.

RESOLVED to

1) Note the programme of work being completed jointly between Adult Social Care and Children’s services and the benefits this was creating for disabled young people who were transitioning into adulthood.

38/22 SOCIAL WORK PRACTICE

The Committee were provided with an update and considered the current programme of work to support Social Work Practice with vulnerable children and their families in Derbyshire.

Following questions from Committee Members, officers provided further detail on the fostering role and their work to promote fostering. Officers also outlined that staff retention was a problem nationally, but that Derbyshire County Council’s staffing numbers were positive in comparison to other local authorities.

RESOLVED to

1) Note the development work being undertaken by the Early Help and Safeguarding service to support ongoing practice improvement.