

Minutes of the meeting of the EAP for Health & Wellbeing and Vulnerable People

At 9.30 am on Friday 27th August, 2021 in the
Council Chamber, Cedar Drive, Thrapston, NN14 4LZ

Present:-

Members

Councillor Helen Harrison (Chair)
Councillor Ken Harrington
Councillor King Lawal
Councillor John McGhee

Councillor Russell Roberts
Councillor Chris Smith-Haynes

Officers

David Watts – Executive Director
for Adults, Communities and Wellbeing

Francesca McHugo – Democratic
Services

HWVP/10 CHAIRS ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chair welcomed Cllr H Howell and Cllr A Mercer to the meeting in their' capacity as Executive members.

The Chair announced that Item 06 would be deferred until the next meeting to allow adequate time for discussion on the Draft Corporate Plan.

In response to Cllr McGhee's query, the Chair assured members that views were welcomed on the items to be considered and future reports that would be brought to them for consideration.

HWVP/11 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor G Shacklock.

HWVP/12 MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Lawal requested it be recorded that he managed a social care company and was involved with Groundwork.

HWVP/13 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 30 JULY 2021

The draft minutes of the Health, Wellbeing and Vulnerable EAP held on 30 July 2021 had been circulated.

It was RESOLVED that:

The minutes of the meeting held on 30 July 2021 be approved as a

correct record.

HWVP/14 DRAFT CORPORATE PLAN

The Executive Director, Adults, Communities and Wellbeing, introduced the Draft Corporate Plan and outlined the route for stakeholder engagement.

Members had received presentations on the priorities of the draft Corporate Plan which related to Adult's, Communities & Wellbeing and Public Health, for the Panel to consider and provide advice and feedback to the Executive.

The Executive Director informed members that the Corporate Plan would be a high-level document, with a more detailed 'daughter' document to follow. The additional document would include information about the actions to deliver the Plan once the Corporate Plan had been developed. It would be regularly reviewed.

Members welcomed the overarching themes and commitments of the priorities and looked forward to receiving the detail behind them.

During discussion, members raised the following points:

- Our council should always lead by example
- The wording used in the Corporate Plan needs to be clear and understood by all
- Councillors would like to see the detail of the policies under the headings
- Opportunities for those who need care to access learning and employment
- How can care leavers plan their' care and future goals with us?
- Need a clear understanding of Voluntary Sector involvement and impact
- Can we clarify how we will work with partners rather than just who we will work with?
 - i. Inc. training for informal carers
- We need to show carers that we care about them as well as the people that they care for
- Concessionary rates for Care Leavers and left behind communities
 - i. Remove the stigma (e.g. family passes)
 - ii. Could be linked to community volunteering in exchange for free/ concessionary access to Leisure Service
 - iii. Part of the future Corporate Parenting Offer? – varied

opinions within the group as to whether we should aim to lead or work in partnership with WNC to avoid a postcode lottery scenario.

- Need to engage with residents to put pride back into communities – helping our communities to help themselves
 - i. Support of Local Strategic Partnerships and Voluntary Sector Organisations
 - ii. How do we create sustainable projects that provide a permanent solution to support our left behind communities?

- Request to planning and development control to review HMO levels in Corby, improve areas of inadequate housing & building standards, and promote widespread community integration rather than pocket communities.
 - i. Request to build new Council housing to ensure we have control over housing standards and the building and integration of future communities.

It was AGREED that:

The following priorities identified by the Panel be considered by the Executive during the development of the Corporate Plan:

- i. Employment/ apprenticeship opportunities for looked after children to be offered within NNC and our strategic partners. (This could include future opportunities for young carers)
- ii. Reflect Levelling up agenda with the inclusion of set targets within the Corporate Plan.
- iii. Life-long learning opportunities (Partnership working)
- iv. Learning in prison with continued course provision on release.
- v. Ability appropriate learning and opportunities for community/workplace contribution.
- vi. Identification, support and respite for Young Carers
- vii. Inclusion of flexible respite options
- viii. Ensure that our housing policies provide appropriate offers for our varied current and future communities.

HWVP/15 WHOLE SYSTEMS APPROACH TO HEALTHY WEIGHT

The Chair confirmed that this item would be deferred until the next meeting and welcomed any written questions in advance of the October meeting.

HWVP/16 FORWARD PLAN OF EXECUTIVE ITEMS

Members considered the latest Executive forward plan of items, dated

from 1 August to 30 November.

The Executive Director provided an update on the 'Hearndon Court Project' and members discussed future opportunities for specialist housing development.

It was AGREED that:

The Executive forward plan of items be noted.

HWVP/17 WORK PROGRAMME

Members considered the latest work programme for the Panel and noted that the Whole Systems Approach to healthy weight would be considered on 1 October.

It was AGREED that:

The work programme of Panel items be noted.

The Chair allowed opportunity for updates and alerts which would form part of future agendas.

Members were presented with a brief verbal update on:

- The progress of the Integrated Care System
- The review of Adult Social Care provider staff pay and conditions.
- The Council's response to the Afghan refugee resettlement
- Vaccination of staff within residential care provider services

HWVP/18 CLOSE OF MEETING

The Chair thanked members and officers for their' attendance and closed the meeting.

Chair

Date

The meeting closed at 11.48 am