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SOUTHAMPTON CITY COUNCIL  
HEALTH OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 30 AUGUST 2018

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Present: Councillors Bogle (Chair), Bell, Houghton, Leggett, Noon, Savage and White

6. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (INCLUDING MATTERS ARISING)**

**RESOLVED:** that the minutes for the Panel meeting on 26 June 21018 be approved and signed as a correct record.

7. **CONNECTED SOUTHAMPTON - TRANSPORT STRATEGY 2040**

The Panel considered the report of the Chair of the Health Overview and Scrutiny Panel requesting that the Panel consider the draft Local Transport Plan, Connected Southampton - Transport Strategy 2040.

The Cabinet Member for Transport and Public Realm was in attendance and addressed the meeting.

**RESOLVED** that the Cabinet Member for Transport and Public Realm consider the following issues when finalising the Transport Strategy:

- (i) **Active Travel Zones** – The Panel noted that there was a need to engage with the poorer communities in Southampton in order to encourage support for Active Travel Zones from neighbourhoods across the City;
- (ii) **Access by public transport to health services** – The Panel re-iterated the importance of good public transport links to health services, especially Southampton General Hospital, and encouraged initiatives that would make access by bus to the hospital easier that would result in more regular and reliable services from all parts of Southampton.
- (iii) **Vision for the public realm** – The Panel requested that the evidence from the Netherlands and other countries be used to, consider the opportunities to be more ambitious with regards to reducing the impact of the private car on the public realm in Southampton.
- (iv) **Home to school transport** – The Panel supported the prioritising of modal shift activity on encouraging children to walk and cycle to school.
- (v) **University of Southampton** – The Panel encouraged the Cabinet Member for Transport and Public Realm to use the City Council influence to encourage an alignment of the University of Southampton's campus re-development proposals with the aspirations in the draft Local Transport Plan. In particular the Panel wished to see the encouragement of and the promotion of cycling.
- (vi) **Risks associated with inactivity** – As part of the wider campaign to promote active travel options the Panel would welcome the inclusion of messages that outline the risks to health and wellbeing associated with inactivity.
- (vii) **Mobility** – The Panel considered that Local Transport Plan needed to be more explicit with regards to how people with limited mobility will be able to access key services and facilities within Southampton in the future.

- (viii) **Road safety** – The Panel noted that the number of children killed or seriously injured on roads is higher in Southampton than many comparable areas. The Panel requested that the Local Transport Plan needed to give consideration to the reasons behind this and what actions can be taken to improve this outcome.
- (ix) **Measures of success** – That the Panel considered that including a measure for reducing an inequality in health outcomes in Southampton be used as a success measure within the Local Transport Plan.

## 8. **ADULT SOCIAL CARE PERFORMANCE**

The Panel considered the report of the Service Lead, Adult Social Care Improvement outlining current performance in Adult Social Care and providing an update on implementation of a new operating model.

The Cabinet Member for Adult Care was in attendance and addressed the meeting.

The Panel noted the improvements in the quality of the dataset provided whilst recognising that opportunities exist to improve the qualitative information available.

The Panel questioned the rise in the average cost of care packages. The rise was attributed to the increased use of connected care and the new strengths based service model by those who have less complex needs. The Panel were informed that this therefore resulted in those requiring care packages having the more complex, and subsequently, more expensive requirements.

The Cabinet Member re-confirmed that it was a priority of the Executive to increase the take up of Direct Payments and to improve outcomes by prioritising the use of new technologies and connected care initiatives.

The Panel were also informed about wellbeing clinics. It was explained that the clinics were designed so that people could obtain information, advice and short term support within in the heart of their communities instead of going through a time consuming, local authority assessment process for services. The first clinic was launched on the 11 September 2018 as a pilot with a view to supporting people to remain independent for as long as possible.

**RESOLVED:** that the Panel:

- (i) requested that within the Adult Social Care dataset a consideration is given to including a measure that identifies the number / percentage of adults with learning disabilities that are undertaking voluntary work;
- (ii) suggested that, in order to reflect how the service 'feels' to users, a consideration is given to presenting qualitative information in addition to the Adult Social Care dataset; and
- (iii) requested that the following information is circulated to the Panel:
  - Adult social care staff turnover rates; and
  - Data on the number / % of homecare visits lasting 15 minutes or less.

## 9. **HORIZON SCANNING**

The Panel considered issues raised by the Chief Officer of NHS Southampton Clinical Commissioning Group on NHS developments in Southampton.

The Chief Officer of NHS Southampton Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) was in attendance and addressed the Panel. The Panel were advised on a number of issues including:

- that the NHS Southampton Clinical Commissioning Group 5 Year Plan was coming to an end. A new plan, utilising data to identify priorities, was in development and a draft plan would be presented to the HOSP at the November meeting;
- that the autumn statement was expected to provide greater clarity on NHS funding within Southampton; and
- that an application had been received by the CCG from the Living Well Partnership to merge existing GP surgery contracts in Hedge End, including a branch surgery in Botley, with their Southampton contract. This raised some potentially complex issues and may be an appropriate item for a future agenda of the Panel.