

COMMUNITY, CUSTOMER AND ORGANISATIONAL SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**Tuesday, 13th September, 2016**

Present:-

Councillor Slack (Chair)

Councillors Borrell
MilesCouncillors Flood
Bagley

Councillor Bagley +

Wendy Blunt, Health and Wellbeing Officer ++
 James Creaghan, Senior Public Health Manager (Mental Health,
 Workplace Health and Chesterfield Locality), Derbyshire County Council ++
 Anita Cunningham, Policy and Scrutiny Officer
 Dianne Illsley, Community Safety Officer +++
 Brian Offiler, Committee and Scrutiny Coordinator

+ Attended for Minute Nos. 21, 22, 23 and 24

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**19 DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' AND OFFICERS' INTERESTS
RELATING TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.**

No declarations of interest were received.

20 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Jeannie Barr, Dyke and Sarvent.

**21 CABINET MEMBER FOR HEALTH AND WELLBEING - HEALTH
SCRUTINY AND DEPRIVATION, INCLUDING 'PRESS RED' WORK**

The Assistant Cabinet Member for Health and Wellbeing explained that the recently appointed Health and Wellbeing Manager, who was unavailable to attend the meeting due to a prior commitment, had the important role of

improving the general health and wellbeing of the people of Chesterfield. He would develop a Health and Wellbeing Strategy by the end of the year and was preparing a report for Cabinet in October on the current consultation on integrated healthcare being undertaken by the North Derbyshire Clinical Commissioning Group.

The Senior Public Health Manager (Mental Health, Workplace Health and Chesterfield Locality), Derbyshire County Council, outlined some of the issues arising from the Chesterfield Health and Wellbeing Partnership Plan. The 2015 Index of Multiple Deprivation (IMD) data showed Chesterfield was the 85th most deprived district (of 326 English local authority areas) with pockets of deprivation in different wards. The Partnership Plan aimed to identify actions both borough-wide and targeted at specific needs in particular areas to address the root causes of deprivation.

The Chesterfield Health and Wellbeing Partnership, which included Members and officers from the Council, had identified five priorities:

- Social Capital
- Financial Inclusion
- Mental Health and Wellbeing
- Healthy Lifestyles
- People

To deliver against these priorities, a multi-agency partnership approach was being used in target areas, based on the following key principles:

- Identifying Need - based on IMD, NHS and local Council data
- Asset Mapping - to identify local facilities (open spaces, buildings, groups)
- Community Engagement – to build relationships with local people
- Community Consultation – to identify what local people want
- Local Action Plan - to develop and deliver actions
- Ongoing Engagement, Consultation and Delivery

This approach had been used by the Press Red consultancy firm on the Inactivity project in Rother ward, and the Senior Public Health Manager outlined some of the key findings from this project:

- Learned helplessness – the status quo became normal
- Community safety issues – going out after dark, the state of public spaces, concern about the behaviour of others
- 1/3 people not even thinking about being active, but 2/3 are
- People busy, especially with families and work
- Childcare a challenge
- Affordability of activities provided
- Gap in knowledge about what's on offer locally

A localised action plan had been developed through the South Health and Wellbeing Group. One initiative was Gussie's Kitchen (a Fareshare project) at St Augustines' Church, which provided a low cost meal, but also opportunity for social interaction and for agencies to make contact with people and offer support. It was emphasised that such initiatives required ownership by the local community with support from agencies.

Based on the IMD data of the most deprived areas and the experience of the project in Rother ward, this approach had already been started in Barrow Hill and New Whittington and was planned to commence in Loundsley Green, St Helens, Middlecroft and Poolsbrook, Lowgates and Woodthorpe and Hasland North East over the next 18 months. It was noted that the specific needs of each area would need to be identified to enable appropriate local action plans to be developed.

Arising from Members' questions and discussion the following points were raised:

- possibly extending the Gussie's Kitchen project to include elderly residents
- considering distribution of food boxes, as part of the Fareshare project, using food from supermarkets which would otherwise go to waste
- recipe cards
- involvement of College students in projects to develop links with educational establishments
- developing links between schools and College and businesses to raise educational aspirations.

The recently appointed Health and Wellbeing Officer outlined her role in seeking to achieve improved health and wellbeing outcomes through a range of initiatives, such as:

- Health, Wealth and Wellbeing projects currently working with a range of agencies in Barrow Hill, St. Helens, Poolsbrook, Middlecroft, Holme Hall and Grangewood, with further projects in Brimington, Dunston and Mastin Moor planned later in the year – including visits to individual properties;
- the Holiday Hunger programme in Barrow Hill over the summer holidays – providing breakfast and packed lunch through Fareshare, but also including a reading challenge and outdoor activities. It was hoped to roll this out to other areas next year;
- Time 4 U Café in Rother and Holme Hall – enabling agencies to provide information and craft activities. This would be run in Barrow Hill next month;
- Community Garden behind St. Augustines' Church;
- Equipped 2 Succeed course – providing a second chance to learn;
- Council Healthy Workplace Group – including a weight management group to start next week;
- the Inactivity Project and work undertaken by Press Red.

She emphasised the benefit of a good working relationship with the Public Health service and partnership working through the Chesterfield Health and Wellbeing Partnership and Chesterfield Health and Wellbeing Group.

Members expressed concern that some schools had not signed up to take part in the Holiday Hunger programme, and it was confirmed that arrangements would be considered for future programmes, in order to ensure that the families most in need were able to be included.

The potential impact of possible future reductions in public transport services in areas where many people did not have access to a vehicle was raised as an area of concern.

RESOLVED –

That progress on the work to address deprivation in the borough be reported to the Committee in six months' time.

CRIME AND DISORDER COMMITTEE

For Minute Nos. 22, 23 and 24 the Committee sat as the Council's designated Crime and Disorder Committee, in accordance with Section 19 of the Police and Justice Act 2006.

22 **CABINET MEMBER FOR HEALTH AND WELLBEING - UPDATE AS CHESTERFIELD SCRUTINY MEMBER OF THE DERBYSHIRE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL**

The Cabinet Member for Health and Wellbeing, as Chesterfield Scrutiny Member of the Derbyshire Police and Crime Panel (PCP) was unable to attend the meeting but submitted the minutes of the meeting of the PCP held on 14 July, 2016 for the information of the Committee.

RESOLVED –

That the minutes of the Derbyshire Police and Crime Panel meeting held on 14 July, 2016 be noted.

23 **CABINET MEMBER FOR HEALTH AND WELLBEING - PROGRESS REPORT ON COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP**

The Assistant Cabinet Member for Health and Wellbeing and the Community Safety Officer presented a report on the progress of the Community Safety Partnership (CSP) towards the delivery of the current Community Safety Action Plan (2016/17), to inform Members of the current crime trends and to present the Derbyshire Police and Crime Commissioner's (PCC) Police and Crime Plan for 2016-21.

The CSP's performance to April 2016 as recorded by the Safer Derbyshire Research and Information Unit was attached to the report as Attachment A.

The data showed that reported crime in Chesterfield had reduced by 0.6% in the 12 months to April, 2016 compared with the previous 12 months. The largest reductions had been in respect of Shoplifting, Other Theft Offences and Theft from a Vehicle, whilst the largest increases had been in Violence with Injury and Violence without Injury. There had been a 6.1% reduction in

calls for service relating to Anti-Social Behaviour compared to the previous 12 months.

The Community Safety Officer referred to some of the activities funded through the CSP, including a project at Hasland Park and activities on Langer Field, which it was hoped to continue through the winter, subject to match funding being obtained.

The Community Safety Officer circulated information about the County Lines Action Plan, developed as a multi-agency approach to improve information sharing between agencies to combat the supply of drugs through criminal gangs and to protect vulnerable people. The recently appointed Assistant Community Safety Officer would lead progress of the Action plan through the County Lines Action Meeting, including prevention and diversionary work ('Prison Me, No Way' project).

The Derbyshire PCC's Police and Crime Plan for 2016-21 was attached to the report as Attachment B. The Plan identified 13 priority risk and threat areas:

- Substance Misuse
- Safeguarding Children
- Safeguarding Adults
- Domestic Abuse
- Organised Immigration Crime, Human Trafficking and Exploitation
- Organised Crime Groups
- Rape and Sexual Assault
- Terrorism and Domestic Extremism
- Acquisitive Crime and Offender Management
- Cyber Crime
- Killed and Seriously Injured Road Collisions
- Economic Crime
- Anti-Social Behaviour

The PCC's allocation of resources to Chesterfield CSP would be considered against these priority areas. Funding of £25,000 p.a. from the PCC would be available to the CSP for the next three years. Due to the short timescales involved, it was proposed to submit bids for next year on the same basis as for the current year.

In response to questions from Members it was confirmed that it was hoped to continue activities at Whitecotes School through Sporting Futures, subject to match funding being obtained. It was noted that it had not been possible to continue the programme of door-to-door visits to identify people's community safety concerns, although some information did come through the Safer Neighbourhood Teams.

RESOLVED –

- (1) That the report be noted.
- (2) That a further progress report on the Community Safety Partnership's Action Plan and Performance on crime data be provided at the next Crime and Disorder Committee.

24 SCRUTINY MONITORING (CRIME AND DISORDER MATTERS)

The aspects of the Scrutiny recommendations monitoring schedule that related to Crime and Disorder matters were considered by the Committee.

In respect of the Committee's recommendation that a review be carried out of the decision to stop locking the park gates at night it was noted that currently the gates at Eastwood Park were continuing to be locked. Activities were being planned for the park to encourage a sense of ownership amongst local youth.

In respect of the Committee's two recommendations regarding the sharing of information on alcohol related hospital admissions it was proposed to remove one of these items from the monitoring schedule.

RESOLVED –

- (1) That the Scrutiny monitoring report be noted.
- (2) That the decision dated 10.04.14 regarding the sharing of information on alcohol related hospital admissions be removed from the monitoring schedule.
- (3) That the monitoring schedule be approved.

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For the remaining items the Committee sat as the Community, Customer and Organisational Scrutiny Committee.

25 FORWARD PLAN

The Committee considered the Forward Plan for the period 1 October, 2016 – 31 January 2017.

RESOLVED –

That the Forward Plan be noted.

26 WORK PROGRAMME FOR THE COMMUNITY, CUSTOMER AND ORGANISATIONAL SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

The Committee considered the list of items included on its Work Programme for 2016/17.

It was proposed that the November meeting of the Committee may need to be cancelled, unless reports were available on the items on Impacts of Welfare Reform and Markets.

RESOLVED –

That the Work Programme for the Community, Customer and Organisational Scrutiny Committee for 2016/17 be updated to defer the item on Friends of Groups to the January meeting, and to defer the items on the Impact of Welfare Reforms and Markets to the January meeting, subject to there not being reports available for the November meeting.

27 SCRUTINY PROJECT GROUPS PROGRESS REPORTS

The Committee considered the document which detailed the Scrutiny Project Group's brief and scope in respect of its review work looking at Friends of Groups.

RESOLVED –

That the brief and scoping document for the Scrutiny Project Group in respect of Friends of Groups be approved.

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MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of the Community, Customer and Organisational Scrutiny Committee held on 5 July, 2016 were presented.

RESOLVED –

That the Minutes be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.