

**COMMUNITY, CUSTOMER AND ORGANISATIONAL SCRUTINY
COMMITTEE**

Thursday, 11th July, 2019

Present:-

Councillor P Innes (Chair)

Councillors Bagshaw
Blakemore
L Collins

Councillors Dyke
Kellman

Councillor J Mannion-Brunt, Cabinet Member for Health and Wellbeing +

Brian Offiler, Democratic and Scrutiny Officer

Ian Waller, Assistant Director – Health and Wellbeing +

+ Attended for Minute No. 4

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

No declarations of interest were received.

2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Borrell.

3 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of the Community, Customer and Organisational Scrutiny Committee held on 26 March, 2019 were presented.

RESOLVED –

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

4 CABINET MEMBER FOR HEALTH AND WELLBEING - FALLS PREVENTION PILOT AND HEALTH INTERVENTION PROGRAMMES

The Cabinet Member for Health and Wellbeing and the Assistant Director - Health and Wellbeing presented a report on the proposed falls prevention pilot and health intervention programmes.

The report identified the purpose, objectives and key issues for the Scrutiny Committee's review of this topic.

The Assistant Director explained that falls involving older people had been identified as one of the main issues to focus upon to take a proactive approach to reducing demand for health and social care services. The falls prevention pilot in Chesterfield was due to start in August, 2019, with the aim of identifying good practice through provision of information, awareness raising about falls risks and falls prevention, multi-factorial risk assessment and appropriate interventions.

The Council was involved as one of a range of partners in the pilot, including Wheatbridge Surgery, Derbyshire Community Health Services NHS Foundation Trust, Derbyshire Clinical Commissioning Group, Derbyshire County Council and voluntary groups, in order to provide a multi-disciplined approach to addressing the challenges of frailty for those at risk of falling.

Arising from Members' questions and comments the following points were clarified:

- details of the number and roles of staff appointed to work on the pilot would be provided once these had been confirmed;
- the pilot would work with GP practices and would involve healthcare and non-healthcare staff;
- information would be designed to be as accessible as possible for those at risk, including their families, friends, neighbours, etc.;
- there was currently other work underway on addressing falls risks and prevention in care homes;

- it was hoped that the pilot would identify where partnership working could be improved to reduce falls and hospital admissions, including the capacity of partners to achieve this.

It was suggested that progress of the pilot be reported to the Scrutiny Committee in November to include initial data and outcomes evidence from the pilot.

The Assistant Director gave an overview of the exercise referral programme delivered by the Council's leisure services which contributed to falls prevention through supporting long term physical activity behaviour change.

It was suggested that further information on the impact of the exercise referral programme be reported to a future meeting of the Scrutiny Committee, linking with the progress on the falls prevention pilot.

The Chair thanked the Cabinet Member for Health and Wellbeing and the Assistant Director - Health and Wellbeing for their contribution to the meeting.

RESOLVED –

- (1) That the purpose, objectives and key issues for the Scrutiny Committee's review of the falls prevention pilot and health intervention programmes as detailed in the report be approved.
- (2) That progress of the falls prevention pilot and the exercise referral programme be reported to the Scrutiny Committee in November, 2019.

5 SCRUTINY MONITORING

The Committee considered the Scrutiny recommendations monitoring schedule.

It was noted that the progress report on the recommendations of the Friends' Groups scrutiny report would now be scheduled for the meeting of the Community, Customer and Organisational Scrutiny Committee on 26 September, 2019.

RESOLVED -

That the Scrutiny monitoring schedule be noted and updated to refer to the progress report on the recommendations of the Friends' Groups scrutiny report being rescheduled for September, 2019.

6 FORWARD PLAN

The Committee considered the Forward Plan for the period 1 August – 30 November, 2019.

RESOLVED –

That the Forward Plan be noted.

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

The Committee considered the overall Scrutiny Work Programme for 2019/20 which had been approved at the meeting of the Overview and Performance Scrutiny Forum on 4 July, 2019, and the draft Scrutiny Work Programme for the Community, Customer and Organisational Scrutiny Committee for 2019/20.

RESOLVED -

That the draft Scrutiny Work Programme for the Community, Customer and Organisational Scrutiny Committee for 2019/20 be approved and updated to include the decisions of the current meeting.