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Record of a meeting of the **PEOPLE (ADULTS AND HEALTH) SCRUTINY PANEL** held in the Council Chamber, Catmose, Oakham, at 7.00pm on **Thursday 29th May 2014**.

PRESENT: Mrs C J Cartwright – (Chairman, in the Chair)
Mr G Conde
Mr W J Cross
Mr J T Dale
Mr R J Gale
Mr J M Lammie
Mr C A Parsons
Miss G Waller
Mr M R Woodcock

ALSO IN

ATTENDANCE: Mr R Begy Portfolio Holder for Culture, Community Safety and Housing

Mrs C Emmett Portfolio Holder for Health

Mrs L I Stephenson Portfolio Holder for Adult Social Care

Mr P Burnett Independent Chair, Local Safeguarding Children Board and Safeguarding Adults Board for Leicestershire and Rutland

OFFICERS

PRESENT: Mrs J Difolco Head of Service – Stronger Communities
Miss M Gamston Support Officer
Mrs G Rhodes White Interim Director for People
Ms M Stott Head of Service – Vulnerable People

APOLOGIES: Mrs J K Figgis

41. MINUTES OF MEETING

The minutes of the meeting of the People (Adults & Health) Scrutiny Panel held on 10 April 2014, copies of which had been previously circulated, was confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

42. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Mrs Emmett declared that she undertook work for the National Health Service and the Department of Health.

43. PETITIONS, DEPUTATIONS AND QUESTIONS

No petitions, deputations or questions had been received from Members of the public.

44. QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE FROM MEMBERS

No Questions with Notice had been received from Members.

45. NOTICES OF MOTION FROM MEMBERS

No Notices of Motion had been received from Members.

46. CONSIDERATION OF ANY MATTER REFERRED TO THE PANEL FOR A DECISION IN RELATION TO CALL IN OF A DECISION

No matter was referred to the Panel for a decision in relation to call in of a decision in accordance with Procedure Rule 206.

47. BUSINESS PLAN OF THE LEICESTERSHIRE AND RUTLAND SAFEGUARDING BOARDS

Report No. 134/2014 from the Independent Chair of the Safeguarding Boards was received.

The Independent Chair, Mr Burnett, introduced the report advising Members that the purpose was to seek comment before finalising the Plan. The Plan had been produced as a combined plan to enable better focus where there was a crossover of areas of work between the two services. Quality assurance and performance management indicators had been incorporated to test impact. Each priority was assessed against Quantitative Data, Qualitative Evidence, Engagement with Service Users and Engagement with Front Line Staff.

Members were advised that the following priorities were key to this Panel:

- Priority 1: To be assured that 'Safeguarding is Everyone's Responsibility.
- Priority 2b: To be assured that adults in need of safeguarding are safe.
- Priority 2c: To be assured that services for children, services for adults and services for families are effectively coordinated to ensure children and adults are safe.
- Priority 3b: To be assured of the quality of care for any adult supported by registered providers.

Members were advised of the following new actions against the priorities:

Ref. no.	In 2014/15 we will	Outcome/ Evidence Measure	Who will lead?	Timescale	Progress
1.4	Increase community	Direct feedback	Engagement task and	March 2015	

	understanding and involvement within the safeguarding referral process	from adults, young people and children	finish group		
2b.4	Understand why referrals to Leicestershire Adult Social Care have increased. We will work with a university to help us scrutinise why the increase has happened	A report detailing the outcomes of the research	Executive group	December 2014	
5.5	Finalise and publish the LLR Adult procedures. Roll out training to accompany the procedures	Procedures published Training delivered	Adult Procedures Group	March 2015	

During discussion the following points were noted:

- i) That the increase in referrals over the previous 18 months was due to complex causes; part raised awareness (Winterbourne and Francis Reports) and the economic climate made some contribution with adults at risk of financial abuse. This was included in the matrix;
- ii) That the implications of the changes to eligibility criteria and the move to direct payments were being monitored. Data for Rutland including day-care provision in the county to be brought to the next Panel attended;
- iii) That Care Quality Commission (CQC) reports, regular officer meetings with the CQC, local authority commissioners and existing forums taken into consideration when seeking service user feedback. Priority in the Business Plan to increase engagement especially with the hard to reach;
- iv) That the Engagement Lead for Rutland was Ms Wendy Poynton, Assistant Director - People

Agreed:

1. That at the next meeting requested data to look at progress and areas of concern is presented to the Panel.

48. SAFER RUTLAND PARTNERSHIP STRATEGY

Report No. 127/2014 from the Interim Director for People was received.

The Portfolio Holder for Culture, Community Safety and Housing, Mr Begy, introduced the report the purpose of which was to provide the draft version of

the Safer Rutland Partnership Strategy 2014-2017 for consideration and comment subject to a final version being published in June 2014. During discussion the following points were noted:

- i) That Rutland had a growing population and changing demographic with the population expected to increase by 9,000 in the next 10 years;
- ii) That there was a change in perception of various areas especially the night economy;
- iii) That successes included an increase in the reporting of domestic violence, reduction in complaints of anti-social behaviour, the reduction in fatalities on Rutland's roads, early intervention targeting young people at risk and drugs and alcohol services;
- iv) That there was a need to be aware of cross border activities and internet grooming;
- v) That the Local Authority could provide training for teachers to train parents to keep children safe from online grooming;
- vi) That Leicestershire Police were able to provide up to date emails advising of crimes taking place, where such had been requested;
- vii) That the Pass Plus scheme had made a significant difference, with support from the Council resulting in a 50% rebate lowering the cost to £75;
- viii) Several Members commented on the quality of the road surfaces in the County and the high friction surfacing in place.

Agreed:

1. That the Panel noted the content of the report.

49. CARE QUALITY COMMISSION (CQC) INSPECTIONS IN RUTLAND

Report No. 127/2014 from the Interim Director for People was received.

The Portfolio Holder for Adult Social Care, Mrs Stephenson, introduced the report, the purpose of which was to provide information on outcomes of CQC inspections in Rutland.

Prior to introducing the CQC reports Mrs Stephenson advised the Panel that a letter had been sent to the CQC as agreed at the previous meeting.

The following points were noted during discussion:

- i) Tixover House – was found to be compliant in all of the six areas inspected;
- ii) Manton Hall – Unannounced inspection in January 2014 looked at two areas, found to be compliant on Care and Welfare and Nutritional Needs. However, following concerns expressed by Rutland County Council (RCC) officers the CQC undertook a full inspection and Manton Hall was found to be not compliant in five of the six areas inspected; RCC officers were working in partnership with Manton Hall on an action plan. The Department of Health had been made aware and Manton Hall had agreed to a voluntary suspension of places. A consultant, with a background in psychiatric care, had been engaged. A full update was to be brought to the next Panel meeting;

- iii) That Members had previously raised concerns regarding CQC inspection reports relating to Manton Hall and requested to be regularly updated on progress;
- iv) That a meeting of RCC officers and the owner of Manton Hall was to be conducted at the home to gain an impression of the home and meet residents and staff;
- v) That consideration would need to be given to the legal implications of RCC officers providing covering reports on establishments, as requested by the Panel;
- vi) That further consideration would need to be given to the implications for local authority funding of places with the criteria changes announced in the Care Bill;

Agreed:

- 1. That the Panel noted the report.
- 2. That a report on Manton Hall would be brought to the next Panel meeting.

50. DAY CENTRES

A verbal update from the Portfolio Holder for Adult Social Care, Mrs Stephenson, was received.

Members were advised that the Age UK contract had been extended by six months until September 2014 to incorporate the People First Review. As part of the review all contracts and providers would need to be considered.

51. REVIEW OF FORWARD PLAN

The Forward Plan was noted.

52. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

No items of urgent business had been previously notified to the person presiding.

53. DATE AND PREVIEW OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday 5 June 2014 (Joint Children and Adults and Health Scrutiny Panel)
Thursday 10 July 2014

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The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.50 pm

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