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Minutes of the **MEETING of the PEOPLE (ADULTS & HEALTH) SCRUTINY PANEL** held in the Council Chamber, Catmose, Oakham, Rutland, LE15 6HP on Thursday, 14th April, 2016 at 7.00 pm

PRESENT:

Mrs L Stephenson (Chair)	Miss R Burkitt
Mr G Conde	Mr R Gale
Mr A Mann	Miss G Waller
Mr A Walters	

APOLOGIES:

Mr W Cross	Mr C Parsons
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OFFICERS PRESENT:

Mr M Andrews	Deputy Director for People
Miss J Narey	Corporate Support Officer

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr R Clifton	Portfolio Holder for Health & Adult Social Care
Mr R Howard	Consultant in Public Health, Leicestershire County Council
Mrs T Crowson	Senior Public Health Manager, Leicestershire County Council

735 RECORD OF MEETING

The minutes of the meeting of the People (Adults & Health) Scrutiny Panel held on the 18th February 2015, copies of which had been previously circulated, were not confirmed or signed by the Chair as the following changes were requested:

Item 624 e) – changed to read ‘The issue of sex education in schools was a health issue as well as a children/young person’s issue so should be discussed by the People (Adults & Health) Scrutiny Panel and the People (Children) Scrutiny Panel.

The remaining minutes of the meeting were confirmed as an accurate record.

736 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Mrs Stephenson reported an interest in agenda item 8 – the Oral Health Promotion & The National Dental Survey 2012 – as her two children were in primary school at the time of the survey.

737 PETITIONS, DEPUTATIONS AND QUESTIONS

No petitions, deputations or questions were received from members of the public.

738 QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE FROM MEMBERS

No questions were received from members.

739 NOTICES OF MOTION FROM MEMBERS

No notices of motion were received from members.

740 CONSIDERATION OF ANY MATTER REFERRED TO THE PANEL FOR A DECISIONS 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.

741 PUBLIC HEALTH: ANNUAL REPORT 2015

Report No. 72/2016 was received from the Director of Public Health and presented by Mr Howard.

During discussion the following points were noted:

- a) The focus of this year's report was on the involvement of social and community networks in improving the health of Rutland residents.
- b) The report linked with Rutland County Council's Adult Social Care Strategy.
- c) More details were requested regarding what had actually happened in the past year, what the 'community groups' were and the sustainability of services in the future.
- d) The report was based on the accessible census/population data which was never current.
- e) The People Directorate had regular meetings with Public Health to ensure that data was shared across the Council and with other Local Authorities.
- f) Contracts were being reviewed with voluntary sectors so as to improve the quality of services and therefore increase the engagement with communities.
- g) The Places Directorate had organised 'Healthy Walks' for Rutland residents but these had stopped as the participants had become healthier as the Council's insurance only covered walks that lasted a maximum of 45 minutes.

AGREED:

1. That the Panel **NOTED** the content of the Report.
2. That the Panel **ENDORSED** the recommendations in the Report.
3. That the recommendations would be taken forward via an action plan.
4. That Mr Andrews would contact Miss Waller with further details regarding the 'Healthy Walks' programme.

742 ORAL HEALTH PROMOTION & THE NATIONAL DENTAL SURVEY 2012

Report No. 83/2016 was received from the Director for Public Health and was presented by Mrs T Crowson, Senior Public Health Manager.

During discussion the following points were noted:

- a) 46% of 5 year old children in Rutland had been in the survey sample. 40.3% of which had some decayed, missing or filled teeth. This compared to 27.9% for England.
- b) Insight work undertaken to better understand issues in Rutland interviewed families with different levels of affluence.
- c) Further analysis showed that over 50% of five year old children surveyed in Uppingham had some level of tooth decay.
- d) There were many reasons for the high levels such as poor teeth cleaning routines, frequent snacking and a sugar rich diet e.g. processed/ready-made fruit juices and dried fruit.
- e) Children and adults needed educating in good oral health.
- f) The Dental practice in Uppingham was liaising with Public Health to increase activity on oral health.
- g) A plan to respond to the report findings would include working with local pre-school settings, dentists, health visitors and schools.
- h) It was suggested that the RCC People (Adults & Health) Scrutiny Panel report about the oral health of five-year-old children in the Rutland area should be sent to all the schools within the local authority.

AGREED:

- 1. That the Panel **NOTED** the findings and actions of the Report.
- 2. That the Panel **ENDORSED** the approach taken in the development of the action plan and the engagement with community partners and settings in promoting good oral health.

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Mr R Howard and Mrs T Crowson left the meeting

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743 CARE QUALITY COMMISSION (CQC) INSPECTION REPORTS

Report No. 76/2016 was received from the Director for People and was presented by Mr M Andrews, Deputy Director for People.

During discussion the following points were noted:

- a) The inspection reports for Rutland Cottages and Wisteria House Residential Home were both good.
- b) The inspection report for Goldfinch Care Agency stated improvement was required as the service given was not consistently effective as assessments of people's capacity to make informed decisions around aspects of their care (in line with the Mental Capacity Act 2015) had not been completed.
- c) The CQC required an action plan to be produced after the inspection that included deadlines and completion dates.
- d) The local authority had regular meetings with the CQC to discuss inspection reports and any concerns regarding service providers.
- e) Concern was expressed about the homecare workforce including poor pay levels and poor training. Mr Andrews stated that there was the possibility of providing a different and more sustainable approach to commissioning and supporting the future homecare workforce but that this would be discussed in greater detail at the next Scrutiny Panel meeting.

AGREED:

1. That the Panel **NOTED** the content of the Report.
2. That Mr Andrews would inform Miss Waller regarding the details of the agency's closer.

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Mr A Walters left the meeting at 8:36 p.m.

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744 ADULT SOCIAL CARE STRATEGY LAUNCH: FEEDBACK

Report No. 85/2016 was received from the Director for People and was presented by Mr M Andrews, Deputy Director for People.

During discussion the following points were noted:

- a) The launch events of the Adult Social Care Strategy had been very successful, with good engagement with partners and service users.
- b) There had been no attendance at the launch events from the faith sector but Local Authority Officers were now contacting organisations directly.
- c) Mr Clifton reported that he would be happy to attend any Parish Council meeting to brief them on the new Adults Social Care Strategy.

AGREED:

1. That the Panel **NOTED** the content of the Report and the feedback received.
2. That the information regarding Rutland's Adult Social Care Strategy should be sent to Peterborough and Stamford Hospitals.
3. That Councillors' should raise the matter of the Adult Social Care Strategy with their relevant Parish Council(s).

745 SCRUTINY PROGRAMME 2015/16 & REVIEW OF FORWARD PLAN

The panel reviewed the Forward Plan and noted the forthcoming reports.

During discussion the following points were noted:

- a) The report on the 'Refugee Relocation Scheme' would not be discussed at the next People (Adults & Health) Scrutiny Panel meeting as it would be discussed at the People (Children) Scrutiny Panel meeting on the 28 April 2016.
- b) Mr Conde requested a presentation from the East Leicestershire and Rutland Clinical Commissioning Group (ELRCCG) at the autumn meeting.
- c) The Panel requested the attendance of homecare providers at the next meeting.

AGREED:

1. That Mr Clifton would, at the next Cabinet meeting, raise the concern regarding reports going to Cabinet for approval BEFORE being discussed at the relevant Scrutiny Panel meeting and would report the response back to the Chair.
2. That Mrs Stephenson and Mr Andrews would discuss which homecare providers to invite to the next Scrutiny Panel meeting.

746 ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

There was no urgent business.

747 DATE AND PREVIEW OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting had yet to be confirmed

AGREED:

Agenda items for the next meeting should include:

1. BUDGET: Quarter 4 Performance and Monitoring Reports
Mrs H Briggs, Chief Executive and Mr S Della Rocca, Assistant Director - Finance
2. Home Care
Mr M Andrews, Deputy Director Services for People

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The Chair declared the meeting closed at 8.58 pm.

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