

Durham, Darlington, Tees Valley, Hambleton,  
Whitby & Richmond  
Sustainability & Transformation Plan

A Social Care perspective

Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting

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# Overview

- Where we need to be
- Where we started
- Where we are now
- Directors of Adult Social Care: Perspective & Reflections
- Opportunities

# Where we need to be.....

Integration of Health and Social Care is a key policy driver in legislation i.e. 2012 Care and Support Bill, The Health and Social Care Act 2012 and the Care Act 2014 where a duty applies in that local authorities should consider the integration of services where that will:

- Promote the **wellbeing of adults** with care and support needs or of carers in its area;
- Contribute to the **prevention** or delay of the development of needs of people;
- Improve the **quality** of care and support in the local authority's area, including the outcomes that are achieved for local people.

# Where we started.....

- NHS led STPs
- Local Authorities were not 'around the table'
- STPs lacked insight into:
  - Wider contribution Councils could make i.e. community engagement, experience of financial challenges, managing demand.
  - Impact of proposals on local authorities & particularly social care and public health.
  - Social care gaps and challenges

## Where we are now.....

- Acknowledged lack of engagement
- Attempts to address representation through governance
- Challenge given no: of LAs covered in STP
- Represented on STP Board
- Role to highlight Social Care issues **not** endorse STPs
- Joint workshop planned for Neighbourhoods and Communities work stream
- Welcome the recognition of care market issues
- Positive start on potential Public Health interventions at scale
- Identifying joint areas of working

# Directors perspectives & reflections.....

- DDTVHWR making a serious attempt to include Social Care and Public Health
- Presence doesn't equate to endorsement i.e. discussions regarding clinical models
- Clear role for local authorities in outcome shaping/service-shaping, prevention, commissioning, Scrutiny
- Local Government needs to be engaged much more as a co-production partner on issues such as transport and travel, capital opportunities, equalities-proofing, rurality proofing
- NHS focused plans – would need to look different if joint plans
- Still need clarity on what the purpose is of STPs – narrative for the public, including clarity on what service guarantees will be

# Further reflections.....

- Strengthened community services and care pathways to support acute hospital configuration
- Investment needs to be made in primary and community care if hospital services change
- Public needs to believe that alternatives are viable and sustainable
- Proposals need detail about how money will flow from acute care to develop and grow primary, community and social care
- Perception STP being bolted on to Better Health Programme
- Greater connectivity needed between STPs
- NYCC concern re 3 STP's & potentially conflicting priorities given to urban and rural areas.
- Where are Children's services in the NHS debate?
- Workforce development needs to include social care

# Opportunities.....

- LA local knowledge and experience in service modelling/innovative approaches to commissioning/managing demand/efficiency
- Sharing expertise, experience to improve outcomes for local people
- Regional Commissioning Group
- Workshop with Neighbourhoods & Communities Group