

STOCKTON-ON-TEES BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET RECOMMENDATIONS

PROFORMA

Cabinet Meeting27th February 2020

1. Title of Item/Report

Scrutiny Review of Care Homes for Older People

2. Record of the Decision

Consideration was given to the final report that presented the outcomes of the Adult Social Care and Health Select Committee review examining Care Homes for Older People.

RESOLVED that:-

1. Recognising the importance of the strong leadership and management and the positive impact of the Well Led Programme, further activity should focus on continuing to improve leadership and management of all care homes in Stockton on Tees and specifically that all care homes be supported to participate in the Well Led Programme and actively participate in the Care Home Leadership and Peer Support Network.

2. The importance of personalised care be promoted through all contacts the Council and partners have with Care Homes; in particular the development and deployment of a varied activities programme tailored to individual needs and co-ordinated by a designated member of staff.

3. The benefits of technology for supporting personalised care are championed and promoted to all care homes in Stockton on Tees; in particular, the deployment of electronic solutions for records and medicine management should be supported by the Council.

4. Contract monitoring and quality assurance systems ensure that appropriate staffing levels are maintained in care homes.

5. The Council works with all stakeholders to promote and improve the local standing of careers in adult social care.

6. All care homes be required to work towards Dementia Friendly accreditation as part of the new contract arrangements.

7. The Council works with the Care Quality Commission to facilitate

effective dialogue between the two organisations in order to share updates of projects and initiatives being developed by the Council and partners and shape the future of the care home market.

8. Healthwatch be asked to report back the Adult, Social Care and Health Select Committee on the implementation of their recommendations to care homes following further enter and view visits to homes.

9. The summary of Care Quality Commission inspection results, reported each quarter to the Adult Social Care and Health Select Committee should include greater context including trend information of quality ratings and information about providers.

3. Reasons for the Decision

This topic was included in the Scrutiny Work Programme for 2019/20. The Select Committee review is now complete and the recommendations have been endorsed by the Adult Social Care and Health Select Committee for submission to Cabinet.

4. Alternative Options Considered and Rejected

None

5. Declared (Cabinet Member) Conflicts of Interest

N/A

6. Details of any Dispensations

N/A

7. Date and Time by which Call In must be executed

Midnight Friday 6th March 2020

Proper Officer
02 March 2020