

## Select Committee

### Review Title: Older People Strategy

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<b>1. Which of our strategic corporate objectives does this topic address?</b>	
<p>Healthier Communities &amp; Adults:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Enable service users to make more informed choices about, and exercise greater control over, the services they receive;</li> <li>-Reduce inequalities through improved access to housing, training and employment support and learning opportunities;</li> <li>-Support measures to improve the health and wellbeing of adults and older people;</li> <li>-Develop the Partnership arrangements to support implementation of the Adults Vision and the Health and Wellbeing requirements of the White Paper 'Strong and Prosperous Communities'.</li> </ul>	
<b>2. What are the main issues?</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-To consider endorsement of the 'direction of travel' of the Council's Older People Strategy;</li> <li>-To monitor the performance of service groups/partners/stakeholders contributing to the Action Plan for the Strategy;</li> <li>-To seek assurances that the aims and objectives of the strategy are embedded within all departments Service Planning processes;</li> <li>-To ensure that all relevant public and private partners are contributing to the key activity areas identified within the Older People Strategy Action Plan;</li> <li>-To review whether the predicted demographic change has been considered within all areas of service planning;</li> <li>-To consider whether the Strategy fulfils the corporate expectation in terms of Equality Impact Assessment and is able to reach out to diverse and hard to reach groups.</li> <li>- To consider the role of 3<sup>rd</sup> sector partners in delivery of the OP strategy</li> </ul>	
<b>3. The Thematic Select Committee's overall aim/ objectives in doing this work is:</b>	
<p>To review ways in which all services should contribute to the Older People Strategy with a view to ensuring that planning for the changing needs of an ageing population are embedded within mainstream services.</p>	
<b>4. The possible outputs/outcomes are:</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Improved coordination and monitoring of the Older People Strategy to ensure it is integrated within service planning and delivery;</li> </ul>	

- Recommendations to partners/stakeholders regarding how the profile of the Strategy can be maintained;
- Recommendations regarding potential new additional work streams that can be taken on board over and above those identified within the Older People Strategy Action Plan.
- Recommend any new initiatives which could add value to the OP strategy.

**5. What specific value can scrutiny add to this topic?**

Detailed consideration of progress made against the aims and objectives of the Older People Strategy Action Plan; bringing together all partners/stakeholders responsible for delivering its key actions.

**6. Who will the panel be trying to influence as part of their work?**

Relevant public & private partners including Renaissance Board; relevant Thematic Partnerships; Service Groups; Voluntary Sector.

**7. Duration of enquiry?**

6 months (to be reviewed after 3 months)

**8. What category does the review fall into?**

<b>Policy Review</b> ✓	<b>Policy Development</b> ✓
<b>External Partnership</b> ✓	<b>Performance Management</b> ✓

**Holding Executive to Account**

**9. Extra Resources needed? Would the investigation benefit from the co-option of an “expert” witness?**

N/A

**10. What information do we need?**

<b>Secondary Information (background information, existing reports, legislation, central government documents, etc.)</b>	<b>Primary/new evidence/information</b>
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- Older People Strategy & documents made reference to within the strategy
- Action Plan Performance Updates
- Lifetime Homes, Lifetime Neighbourhoods- Communities & Local Government
- Outcome Focused Services for Older People- Social Care Institute for Excellence
- CPA Feedback re Older People Strategy
- Performance Management Information;

including older people in employment statistics; complaints data re older people services/issues; Viewpoint/Audit information.

**Who can provide us with further relevant evidence? (Cabinet Member/portfolio holder, officer, service user, general public, expert witness, etc.)**

**What specific areas do we want them to cover when they give evidence?**

-Ruth Hill, Head of Adult Strategy

Key components of the Older People Strategy, identifying responsible partners/stakeholders

-Elizabeth Shassere, Health & Wellbeing Partnership

Evidence of progress made against the key activity areas contained within the Older People Strategy Action Plan

-Julie Allport, Housing & Neighbourhood Partnership

Evidence of progress made against the key activity areas contained within the Older People Strategy Action Plan

-Mark Rowell, Economic Regeneration & Transport Partnership

Evidence of progress made against the key activity areas contained within the Older People Strategy Action Plan

-Mike Batty, Safer Stockton Partnership

Evidence of progress made against the key activity areas contained within the Older People Strategy Action Plan

-Over 50's Assembly

To discuss feedback to the overall aims of the Strategy and whether the intended direction of travel is accurate

-Help The Aged/Age Concern

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-Reuben Kench, Head of Culture

Evidence of activities/usage of services and facilities by older people

-Tees Active

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-Kirsty McNally, Equality & Diversity, PPC

Evidence of progress made against the key activity areas contained within the Older People Strategy Action Plan

**11. What processes can we use to feed into the review? (site visits/observations, face-to-face questioning, telephones survey, written questionnaire, etc.)**

Meetings with relevant partners/stakeholders; visit to Extra Care Scheme.

**12. In what ways can we involve the public and at what stages? (consider whole range of consultative mechanisms, local committees and local ward mechanisms)**

Awareness campaign regarding the aims of the Strategy; and what work/actions have been undertaken/planned in support of it.

**13. Diversity – How will we address the six strands of diversity (age, disability, faith and belief, gender, race, and sexual orientation) in order to uphold the Council’s Single Equality Scheme?**

To monitor the EIA actions within the strategy.

## Project Plan

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KEY TASK	DETAILS/ACTIVITIES	DATE	RESPONSIBILITY
<b>Scoping of Review</b>	Information gathering	14 <sup>th</sup> April 2008	Scrutiny Officer Link Officer
<b>Tri-Partite Meeting</b>	Meeting to discuss aims and objectives of review	21 <sup>st</sup> April 2008	Select Committee Chair and Vice Chair, Cabinet Member(s), Corporate Director(s), Scrutiny Officer, Link Officer
<b>Agree Project Plan</b>	Scope and Project Plan agreed by Committee	22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2008	Select Committee
<b>Publicity of Review</b>	Press Briefing at start of review	Following agreement of scope and project plan	Chair, Link Officer, Press Officer Scrutiny Officer

<b>Obtaining Evidence</b>	<p>Presentation by Ruth Hill (to inform scope) on the key elements of the Older People Strategy</p> <p>*Presentation by Ruth Hill re Quarter 1 feedback from Thematic Partnerships on Older People Strategy Action Plan activities</p> <p>(* Feedback obtained will indicate extent of further evidence required from the following representatives/groups, with some contributions possibly grouped together in one meeting/not required; as applicable):-</p> <p>Presentation by Mike Batty, Safer Stockton Partnership on performance against the Older People Strategy Action Plan</p> <p>Presentation by Head of Culture- Evidence of activities/usage of services and facilities by older people</p> <p>Presentation by Tees Active- Evidence of activities/usage of services and facilities by older people (* This will be a joint meeting with both ALCS &amp; CYP Select Cttees as part of their evidence gathering re Tees Active)</p> <p>Presentation by Julie Allport, Housing &amp; Neighbourhood Partnership and Mark Rowell,</p>	<p>22<sup>nd</sup> April 2008</p> <p>21<sup>st</sup> May 2008</p> <p>3<sup>rd</sup> June 2008</p> <p>15<sup>th</sup> July 2008</p> <p>30<sup>th</sup> July 2008</p> <p>August 2008</p>	<p>Select Committee</p>
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	<p>Economic Regeneration Partnership on performance against the Older People Strategy Action Plan</p> <p>Presentation by Elizabeth Shassere, Health &amp; Wellbeing Partnership on performance against the Older People Strategy Action Plan</p> <p>Over 50's Assembly/Help The Aged/Age Concern</p> <p>Service Group Service Improvement Planning-Incorporating Older People Strategy</p>	<p>August 2008</p> <p>26<sup>th</sup> August 2008</p> <p>September 2008</p>	
<b>Members decide recommendations and findings</b>	Review summary of findings and formulate draft recommendations	September 2008	Select Committee
<b>Tri-Partite Meeting</b>	Meeting to discuss finding of review and draft recommendations		Select Committee Chair and Vice Chair, Cabinet Member(s), Corporate Director(s), Scrutiny Officer, Link Officer
<b>Circulate Draft Report to Stakeholders</b>	Circulation of Report		Scrutiny Officer
<b>Final Agreement of Report</b>	Approval of final report by Committee	October	Select Committee, Cabinet Member, Corporate Director
<b>Consideration of Report by Executive Scrutiny Committee</b>	Consideration of report	28 <sup>th</sup> October 2008	Executive Scrutiny Committee
<b>Report to Cabinet/Approving Body</b>	Presentation of final report with recommendations for approval to Cabinet	6 <sup>th</sup> November 2008	Cabinet/ Approving Body

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