

Adults' Health and Wellbeing Commissioning Group

A meeting of Adults' Health and Wellbeing Commissioning Group was held on Monday, 28th April, 2014.

Present: Peter Kelly (Chairman), Councillor Jim Beall, Emma Champley, Karen Hawkins, Jayne Herring, Sean McEneaney, Simon Willson

Officers: Victoria Cooling, Dave Smith, Sarah Whaley

Also in attendance:

Apologies: Sarah Bowman, Hilary Hall, Liz Hanley

AHW 1/14 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

AHW 2/14 Minutes of the meeting held on 25 March 2014

The minutes of the meeting held on 25 March 2014 were confirmed as a correct record.

AHW 3/14 Smoking Cessation

Members received a report that informed the Group of the intention to:

- review existing smoking cessation services against current guidance and best practice.
- consult upon smoking cessation services, specifically targeting the hardest to reach populations of the Borough and those with the greatest health inequalities that could be impacted by smoking cessation.
- explore a joint project approach with Hartlepool Borough Council in order to test whether this delivered efficiencies in project delivery and if there was evidence that suggested cost and quality benefits for a jointly commissioned service.

The Commissioning Group was requested to act as project sponsor and receive recommendations for commissioning action.

Members noted the objectives of the project and received a draft implementation and timescale plan for the project. The Group was provided with details of current smoking cessation services. The contract end dates for those services were 31 March 2015.

It was noted that a joint steering group had been set up involving Stockton and Hartlepool Councils and this Commissioning Group would receive regular reports on progress. It was anticipated that the project would identify any joint commissioning and service alignment opportunities. The Group agreed that it was important that any proposed services, coming from the review, would maximise the best outcomes for Stockton residents. Any joint commissioning proposals would need to clearly demonstrate this.

Discussion continued and included:-

- the targeting of services to areas of deprivation, where knowledge of the risks associated with smoking and how to access help, was limited.
- understanding what the different motivations of smokers were and how this understanding could help to encourage cessation i.e. what interventions would lead people to stop.
- e cigarettes and their potential role in helping people stop smoking. It was recognised that much more research was needed in this area.
- it was important to ensure that there was no duplication of services.
- any campaign, promoting smoking cessation, would include a focus on the monetary cost of smoking and how much a family could save if smokers quit.
- Smoking cessation would be geared around Children and Young People's Services as well as Adults.

RESOLVED that :

1. the commissioning group acts as project sponsor.
2. the Commissioning Group receives a further report, in June 2014, and agrees a preferred commissioning approach for the provision of services, from April 2015 across the Borough.

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Mapping of Groups with responsibility for Adults

The Group noted that it had been tasked to map the groups that operated within the Adults Health and Wellbeing Structure, what their roles were and the links they had with each other. It was important that the mapping provided an overview of groups, their work and reporting lines, so that delivery of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy could be assessed and monitored.

It was explained that further work and consultation would be undertaken outside the meeting and a report presented to the Group's next meeting.

RESOLVED that the Group receive a report on the progress of the mapping process at its next meeting.

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Forward Plan

Members discussed the Group's Forward Plan and agreed that details of forthcoming items be forwarded to Peter Kelly and/or Michael Henderson.

RESOLVED that the Forward Plan be noted.

