Mid Devon District Council

Community Well Being Policy Development Group

Tuesday 25 March 2014 at 2.15pm Exe Room, Phoenix House

Date of next meeting: 27 May 2014

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Membership

Cllr E J Berry
Cllr Mrs H Bainbridge (Chairman)
Cllr Mrs S Griggs
Cllr Mrs C Heal
Cllr M R Lee
Cllr P F Williams
Cllr Mrs N Woollatt

AGENDA

Members are reminded of the need to make declarations of interest prior to any discussion which may take place

- 1. **Apologies and Substitute Members -** To receive any apologies for absence and notices of appointment of substitute Members (if any).
- 2. **Public Question Time -** To receive any questions relating to items on the Agenda from members of the public and replies thereto.
 - Note: A maximum of 30 minutes is allowed for this item.
- 3. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting –** To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 28 January 2014 (circulated with the Council Summons for 26 February 2014).
- 4. **Chairman's Announcements -** To receive any announcements that the Chairman may wish to make.

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- 5. **NHS sharing of personal patient data** To receive clarification from the Regional Head of Intelligence (South) for NHS England regarding plans to share patient information across NHS organisations, researchers and organisations outside the NHS. A copy of the leaflet circulated to householders is attached.
- 6. **Neighbourhood Healthwatch** To receive a presentation from the Project Facilitator providing information on this important initiative designed to increase community resilience and reduce isolation and loneliness amongst communities.
- 7. Care Services On 21 January 2014, the Decent and Affordable Homes Policy Development Group considered a report regarding a review of Care Services (please find the report attached by way of background information). The Housing PDG made a recommendation that the Council does not provide a Housing Support Service to sheltered housing tenants after April 2015, or September 2014 if a satisfactory arrangement cannot be agreed with Devon County Council. Also that the Council continues to provide the Lifeline Alarm service for tenants and private customers; that service charges are introduced for Council tenants who receive the Lifeline Alarm service and that repairs services are made available to private customers.

In addition to this, a recommendation was made to the Community Well Being PDG that they look at ways in which vulnerable residents, who are not entitled to statutory care, can be protected by the use of schemes such as Neighbourhood Health Watch. However, whilst Neighbourhood Health Watch can talk to Members about the benefits of their scheme and how the Council might be able to work with communities to get watches set up, it cannot replace existing services, therefore the PDG are asked to consider additional ways of supporting vulnerable residents.

- 8. Adult Residential Care Services Review To consider whether the Group wish to make formal representation to the consultation being undertaken by Devon County Council.
- 9. **Financial Monitoring** To receive a report from the Head of Finance presenting a financial update in respect of the income and expenditure so far in the year.
- 10. **Performance and Risk** To consider a report of the Head of Communities and Governance providing Members with an update on performance against the corporate plan and local service targets for 2013/14 as well as providing an update on the key business risks.
- 11. **Tiverton CCTV Management Group** To hear from the Licensing Manager regarding a need to amend the Group's Terms of Reference.

- 12. **Chairman's Annual Report for 2013/14 –** To receive the Chairman's annual report on the work of the Policy Development Group since May 2013 which will be submitted to Council on 30 April 2014.
- 13. Identification of items for the next meeting: 27 May 2014

Members are asked to note that the following items are already identified in the work programme for the next meeting:

- Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman for 2014/15
- Presentation from Age Concern
- Review Local Welfare Assistance one year on

Note: This item is limited to 10 minutes. There should be no discussion on the items raised.

Kevin Finan Chief Executive Monday 17 March 2014





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