

NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Social Care Health and Wellbeing Cabinet Board

8th March 2018

REPORT OF THE HEAD OF COMMISSIONING - SUPPORT AND DIRECT SERVICES

Matter for Monitoring

Wards Affected:

All Wards

ABERTAWA BRO MORGANNWG UNIVERSITY HEALTH BOARD CARERS PARTNERSHIP - ANNUAL REPORT 2016/17 AND CARERS PROGRESS REPORT 2017/18

Purpose of the Report

1. The purpose of this report is to present Cabinet with:
 - a. The Abertawe Bro Morgannwg University Health Board (ABMU) Carers Partnership Annual Report 2016-17 (Appendix 1);
 - b. An update in relation to the partnership working taking place across the region to achieve Neath Port Talbots (NPT) strategic commitments to Carers (Appendix 2);
 - c. The Neath Port Talbot Carers Partnership Event Carers 'Have Your Say' Feedback Report (Appendix 3).

- d. Reconfirmation of the Councils commitment to Young Carers;

Executive Summary

2. Supporting Carers is a priority in the Social Services and Wellbeing (Wales) Act 2014 (SSWA). This report aims to assure Members that the Council recognises the valuable role of Carers and, as such, is working with partners in order to provide support to Carers both in terms of their own wellbeing needs and in their caring role.
3. This update report also aims to reiterate the Councils commitment to Young Carers.

Background

4. ABMU's Carers Partnership Annual Report 2016-17 (Appendix 1) provides an update on the implementation of the Valuing Carers Transition Plan (Background Paper 1). Chapter 8 of the Annual Report outlines key achievements and examples of activities which have been undertaken over the last 12 months. Examples of how Carers have achieved individual outcomes and feedback from Carers can be found in Chapter 9.
5. The Council have worked closely with partners to progress the strategic objectives for Carers. The Carers Progress Report 2017-2018 (Appendix 2) provides an overview of the strategic context for Carers in NPT and the current position in regards to the work taking place across the region to support Carers, including how the Neath Port Talbot Carers Partnership Event Carers 'Have Your Say' has influenced changes.
6. All Carer services are, and will continue to be, led by Carers and include opportunities for Carers to inform service delivery by having opportunities to say what matters to them. The Neath Port Talbot Carers Partnership Event 'Have your Say' took place in September 2017, the Council have used feedback from this event to inform changes to the current provision (see Appendix 2). The Neath Port Talbot Carers Partnership Event Feedback Report (Appendix 3) captures Carers views and ideas from the event.

7. The Council is committed to supporting Young Carers and recognises the impact caring has on Young Carers wellbeing outcomes and quality of life. The Neath Port Talbot Young Carers Strategy 2017-2020 (Background Paper 2) is a working document and is reviewed on a yearly basis to ensure that it remains fit for purpose and focussed on the needs of Young Carers living within NPT. Service Model(s) for Young Carers and Young adult carers will be changing from April 2018 due to changing Guidance under the Families First Programme and the Strategies objectives. A progress report on the Strategies objectives will be brought to Committee in July 2018, with a full SMART Action Plan.
8. The Neath Port Talbot Joint Carers Strategic Commissioning Group was re-established in December 2017. It coordinates key officers from Health, Local Authority and Commissioned services. The Carers Strategic Commissioning group exists to set the strategic direction of the NPT Joint Carers Strategy and NPT Young Carers Strategy and to plan, develop and co-ordinate the implementation of the strategy across the Borough.

Financial Impact

9. There are no financial impacts associated with this report.

Equality Impact Assessment

10. There are no equality impacts associated with this report, however full EIAs were undertaken on production of the Strategies referenced in this document.

Workforce Impacts

11. There are no workforce impacts associated with this report

Legal Impacts

12. The Council make reference to the Social Services and Wellbeing (Wales) Act 2014 and the duties implied on the Council as such.

Risk Management

13. There are no risk management issues associated with this report.

Consultation

14. There is no requirement under the Constitution for external consultation on this item.

Recommendations

15. To note the contents of this report.

Reasons for Proposed Decision

16. Report is for monitoring purposes only and no decisions required.

Implementation of Decision

17. No decisions required.

Appendices

18. Appendix 1: The Abertawe Bro Morgannwg University Health Board (ABMU) Carers Partnership Annual Report 2016-17;

19. Appendix 2: The Carers Progress Report 2017-18;
20. Appendix 3: Neath Port Talbot Carers Partnership Event Feedback Report.

List of Background Papers

21. Background Paper 1: Valuing Carers Transition Plan
22. Background Paper 2: Neath Port Talbot Young Carers Strategy 2017-2020

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