



Minute of Meeting Community Care, Health & Wellbeing Thematic Board

Date	Time	Venue
Thursday, 19 November 2015	14:00	Tweedie Hall, Ardlamont Square, Linwood, PA3 3DE

PRESENT

Councillor I McMillan, Renfrewshire Council; D Reid, Renfrewshire ADP; D Leese and F MacKay (both Health & Social Care Partnership); J McKellar, Renfrew Leisure Limited; Dr A Van der Lee, GP Representative; I Beattie and R Robertson (both Renfrewshire Council).

CHAIR

Councillor McMillan presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

P Henderson, RAMH; and C MacDonald and G Allison (both Renfrewshire Council).

APOLOGIES

Councillor M Brown (Renfrewshire Council); S McDonald, Active Communities; J Ferrie, Engage Renfrewshire; S McLellan, Forum for Empowering Our Communities; D Goodman, Renfrewshire Carers; L McIntyre and L Muirhead (both Renfrewshire Council); R Telfer, Scottish Care; P Nelis, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; C Walker, C Burling and H Cunningham (all Health & Social Care Partnership); and A Cumberland, West College Scotland.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest intimated prior to commencement of the meeting.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Councillor McMillan advised that Item 9 had been deferred to the next meeting of the Forum.

1 **MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

There was submitted the Minute of the meeting of the Community Care, Health & Wellbeing Thematic Board held on 8 September, 2015.

DECIDED: That the Minute be approved.

2 **ROLLING ACTION LOG**

The Rolling Action Log was submitted for approval.

DECIDED:

(a) That action CCH&WB.04.09.14(7) be removed from the action log as this action was now complete: and

(b) That the updated Rolling Action Log be approved.

3 **SOCIAL PRESCRIBING/COMMUNITY LINK WORKERS - HOW WE ACHIEVE IT**

A presentation was given by P Henderson, RAMH, relative to the Community Connectors project.

The presentation outlined why the project was developed; highlighted the statistics; detailed the partner organisations who were involved; and summarised the benefits.

DECIDED: That the presentation be noted.

4 **SYRIAN REFUGEES**

R Roisin gave a verbal update on the arrival of the Syrian Refugees in Renfrewshire.

She advised that a number of refugees had so far settled in accommodation in Renfrewshire and were happy, content and keen to get their children into schools and to start looking for employment. She advised that officers from Renfrewshire Council had been actively working with partners to put into place the arrangements required to support the refugees. This involved housing, health, education, benefits and advice agencies, translation services, social care and police amongst others.

DECIDED: That the verbal update be noted.

5 **REDUCING HEALTH INEQUALITIES**

F MacKay gave an update on reducing health inequalities; improving life expectancy; and how we can improve health and narrow the equalities gap.

It was noted that there were clear overlaps between health inequality and poverty and the Board agreed that contact be made with the Tackling Poverty team to look at the extent

to which inequality was synonymous with tackling poverty within Renfrewshire.

DECIDED:

(a) That it be agreed that contact be made with the Tackling Poverty team to look at the extent to which inequality was synonymous with tackling poverty within Renfrewshire.

(b) That the report be noted.

6 RENFREWSHIRE LEISURE UPDATE

A verbal update was given by J McKellar, Chief Executive, Renfrewshire Leisure relative to the progress of the Trust in delivering cultural and leisure services.

She advised that from 1 July 2015 Renfrewshire Leisure took on the management of assets such as Town Halls, Libraries, Museums and Paisley Arts Centre along with Sports Development, Active Schools functions and playing fields and as of 1 December 2015 the company would operate the community halls and bowling greens previously operated by Renfrewshire Council.

She also spoke about the management of new assets; the progress of a new local action plan; the development of existing and new programmes; and the objectives of the Trust being aligned with the Council and Partner objectives.

Footfall patterns were discussed and it was agreed that a report would be submitted to a future Board which analysed footfall patterns across Renfrewshire Leisure Centres according to postcode dataset.

DECIDED:

(a) That a report be submitted to a future Board which analysed footfall patterns across Renfrewshire Leisure Centres according to postcode dataset: and

(b) That the update be noted.

7 CARERS FORUM MEETING

Councillor McMillan and F MacKay gave a verbal report relative to their attendance at the Carers Forum which was held on Friday 13 November, 2015, at the Renfrewshire Carers Centre to hear what issues there were for carers and what could help them in their caring role.

They advised that the meeting was well attended and very informative with the first item on the agenda being an update on the Carers Bill and explaining the National Eligibility Criteria Framework being proposed by the National Carers Organisations which generated interesting discussion.

DECIDED: That the update be noted.

8 INTEGRATION FUND UPDATE

A verbal update was given by R Robertson relative to the progress of the Integration Fund and an update on the four projects which were being funded by the Integrated Care Fund.

DECIDED: That the update be noted.