

# CITY AND COUNTY OF SWANSEA

## NOTICE OF MEETING

You are invited to attend a Meeting of the

## PREVENTION AND SOCIAL CARE REFORM CABINET ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**At:** Committee Room 5, Guildhall, Swansea

**On:** Monday, 19 September 2016

**Time:** 2.00 pm

**Chair:** Councillor Mandy Evans

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### Membership:

Councillors: M C Child, U C Clay, J P Curtice, C R Doyle, J A Hale, J E C Harris, E J King, H M Morris, R V Smith and T M White

## AGENDA

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To approve & sign the Minutes of the previous meeting(s) as a correct record.
- 4 **Updates on four Commissioning Reviews. (Verbal)**
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*Huw Evans*

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**Head of Democratic Services**  
**Monday, 12 September 2016**

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## CITY AND COUNTY OF SWANSEA

### MINUTES OF THE PREVENTION AND SOCIAL CARE REFORM CABINET ADVISORY COMMITTEE

HELD AT COMMITTEE ROOM 5, GUILDHALL, SWANSEA ON MONDAY,  
15 AUGUST 2016 AT 2.00 PM

**PRESENT:** Councillor V M Evans (Chair) Presided

**Councillor(s)**

J P Curtice  
R V Smith

**Councillor(s)**

E T Kirchner  
T M White

**Councillor(s)**

H M Morris

**Officer(s)**

**Officer(s)**

Cathy Richards  
Jeremy Parkhouse

Social Care Planning Officer - Carers  
Democratic Services Officer

**Also Present**

Eleanor Norton  
Nonn Evans  
Karenza Cassidy  
Keith Skeggs

Director, Swansea Carers Centre  
Carer  
Carer  
Carer

**Apologies for Absence**

Councillor(s): U C Clay

17 **DISCLOSURES OF PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS.**

In accordance with the Code of Conduct adopted by the City and County of Swansea, no interests were declared.

18 **MINUTES.**

**RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the meeting held on 18 July 2016 be agreed as a correct record.

19 **PRESENTATION - IMPACT OF LEGISLATION ON CARERS.**

Eleanor Norton, Director, Swansea Carers Centre provided a detailed and informative presentation regarding Supporting carers and delivering upon new duties in the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014.

She highlighted the changes introduced by the Act, particularly the new definition of a carer; the duty to support carers; well-being, overarching duties and outcomes; social enterprises, co-operatives and the third sector; the duty to provide preventative services; the duty to assess and support plans for carers; common principles of assessment; investment in the 3<sup>rd</sup> sector; and direct payments.

The Committee asked a number of questions of the Swansea Carers Centre Director, which were responded to accordingly. Discussions centred around the following: -

- Use of community buildings to hold group meetings;
- How the Government Department / rules did not assist carers who, were very often punished for gaining employment and had lost the benefits that they were entitled to;
- The impact of the minimum wage upon carers seeking employment;
- Signposting that assisted carers;
- The need for assessments to be timely and for regular reviews to be undertaken;
- Finance being the dominant factor with assessments;
- The huge culture change needed to comply with the Act;
- Access to services provided by the Authority and the changes introduced through the 'advice, information and assistance line';
- The importance of staff being qualified and appropriately trained;
- Engaging with groups / organisations that assist carers;
- The constant obstacles being faced by carers and the constant fight carers faced in order to meet their objectives.

The Director of Swansea Carers Centre also introduced carers Nonn Evans, Karenza Cassidy and Keith Skeggs who all provided very detailed and emotional accounts regarding their experiences as carers. They highlighted the constant fight faced by carers and the difficulties they had faced when dealing with Social Services. It was commented that many difficulties were caused by systems / lack of resources. Furthermore, services and support were being taken away from people and there was no empathy for and very little recognition of carers.

The Committee expressed concern regarding the experiences of the carers and recognised that more Elected Members needed to hear their accounts because many had encountered similar experiences within their Wards. The negative perception of Social Services within communities was also acknowledged. However, it was also emphasised that staff within the Service were fully committed and many of the problems had arisen due to a lack of resources.

The Chair thanked the Swansea Carers Centre Director, Nonn Evans, Karenza Cassidy and Keith Skeggs for attending the meeting.

20 **WORK PROGRAMME 2016/17.**

The Chair presented an updated Work Programme 2016/17.

**RESOLVED** that the contents of the report be noted.

The meeting ended at 4.10 pm

**CHAIR**

## **Report of the Cabinet Member for Wellbeing and Healthy City**

### **Prevention and Social Care Reform Cabinet Advisory Committee – 19 September 2016**

#### **CCTV REVIEW**

Joint Cabinet Advisory Committees to participate fully in the review of the current CCTV provision by the Prevention section of CCS to plan how it should deliver its functions in future, what potential there is to combine with others such as Housing in CCS, NPT CCTV provision, and to explore the possibilities for commercial income.

This work stems from the statement “a safer, greener, smarter, fairer, healthier, richer Swansea”, in particular addressing the Safer and Smarter elements. It would be a medium-term implementation plan for the future uses and management of CCTV by CCS.

Currently Swansea has fixed CCTV coverage within the City Centre aim primarily at prevention of crime and ensuring security for those enjoying the night time economy.

The aim of this work is to include

- Setting minimum standards for provision
- Discussions with current partners about their needs in the future, including Police.
- Reviewing equipment capabilities to best exploit technology.
- Investigating areas within the Council where synergies may exist, such as Housing
- Working with Neath Port-Talbot to seek if a joint operation is advantageous.
- Working with the Commercial to explore opportunities to exploit our capabilities

The benefits of the review would be to improve to sustainability and benefit of CCTV, provide a sound base to combine with other similar services to improve the service for all and decide if there is an opportunity for commercialising the ability to provide extensive modern CCTV coverage, and if so provide some indication of where those opportunities may be.

The Joint CACs would work alongside officers to carry out this review and produce a draft CCTV Strategy to bring to Cabinet and possibly Council for adoption. The aim is this work will be completed by December 2016.

# Agenda Item 6

**Report of the Cabinet Member for Wellbeing and Healthy City  
Prevention and Social Care Reform Cabinet Advisory Committee  
– 19 September 2016**

**INVESTIGATION INTO HEALTH AND DIET IN SWANSEA**

Aim

To decide what can be done to develop a multi-agency approach the dietary causes of long term health problems in Swansea. A key element to this would be public support.

Why

The UK has amongst the poorest record of health conditions caused by diet in the world, poorer even than America. In the UK, Wales again has amongst the poorest record. Parts of Swansea have amongst the worst records in Wales. This has to be acknowledged as a serious problem, affecting the quality of many citizen's lives, their ability work and otherwise to contribute to their communities and Society, and causes a large preventable use of limited public resources, both in Health or in Social Services.

Prevention of the many damaging effects of poor diet and the consequent additional demands for limited resources and will enable more people to continue to work adding to a vibrant city economy. They will avoid poverty brought on by illness of disability and be able to participate more in sustainable communities. As the elected element within the Locals Service Board it is council's job to be promoting the Health and Wellbeing of its citizens.

To analyse

- how the various issues affect health, such as sugar, calories, fat, portion sizes, salt.
- the effects of these such as childhood obesity, obesity, diabetes, heart attacks
- determine who in Swansea would need to work together to address these, which angle to approach the issue from to have the most effect in the shortest time, what others may have tried elsewhere.
- What work is currently being undertaken in Swansea and who is doing it.

Outcome

- What issue to address
- How best to address the issue, particularly with the most at risk groups
- who to work with
- what outcomes might be expected
- when

## Timescale

To Start in October 2016, and finish by April 2017.

## **Note**

This is a very large subject, and a strategy is not expected, and certainly not a plan of action, but an understanding and explanation of the issue and proposed focus on how we can make a difference in Swansea is what is expected.

This is not to address levels of activity, although that is acknowledged as one factor.

# Agenda Item 7

## Report of the Chair

Prevention & Social Care Cabinet Advisory Committee – 19 September 2016

### PREVENTION & SOCIAL CARE CABINET ADVISORY COMMITTEE – WORK PROGRAMME 2016/17

Date	Subject Area	Lead
20 June 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commissioning Review of Day Centres - Feedback.</li> <li>• Commissioning Review of Mental Health, Learning Disabilities and Physical Disabilities - Feedback.</li> <li>• Commissioning Review of Domiciliary Care - Feedback.</li> <li>• Commissioning Review of Residential Care - Feedback.</li> <li>• The Finance Policy relating to the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014.</li> </ul>	<p>Chair</p> <p>Chair</p> <p>Chair</p> <p>Chair</p> <p>Rachel Evans</p>
18 July 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Finance Policy relating to the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014.</li> <li>• Carers.</li> <li>• Proposed Visit to Monmouthshire County Council.</li> </ul>	<p>Simon Jones</p> <p>Cllr Erika Kirchner</p> <p>Chair</p>
15 August 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation – Effect of legislation on carers</li> </ul>	<p>Eleanor Norton, Swansea Carers Centre</p>
19 September 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commissioning Review of Day Centres - Feedback.</li> <li>• Commissioning Review of Mental Health, Learning Disabilities and Physical Disabilities - Feedback.</li> <li>• Commissioning Review of Domiciliary Care - Feedback.</li> <li>• Commissioning Review of Residential Care - Feedback.</li> <li>• CCTV</li> <li>• Investigation into Health and Diet in Swansea</li> </ul>	<p>Cllr J Harris</p> <p>Cllr J Harris</p> <p>Cllr J Harris</p> <p>Cllr J Harris</p> <p>Cllr M Child Cllr M Child</p>
17 October 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commissioning Review of Day Centres - Feedback.</li> <li>• Commissioning Review of Mental Health, Learning Disabilities and Physical Disabilities - Feedback.</li> </ul>	<p>Cllr J Harris</p> <p>Cllr J Harris</p>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commissioning Review of Domiciliary Care - Feedback.</li> <li>• Commissioning Review of Residential Care - Feedback.</li> <li>• Awards for Independence. (Verbal)</li> </ul>	<p>Cllr J Harris</p> <p>Cllr J Harris</p> <p>Cllr J Harris</p>
21 November 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commissioning Review of Day Centres - Feedback.</li> <li>• Commissioning Review of Mental Health, Learning Disabilities and Physical Disabilities - Feedback.</li> <li>• Commissioning Review of Domiciliary Care - Feedback.</li> <li>• Commissioning Review of Residential Care - Feedback.</li> <li>• Review of Sheltered Housing and Accommodation (To be confirmed)</li> <li>• Eligibility (To be confirmed).</li> </ul>	<p>Cllr J Harris</p> <p>Cllr J Harris</p> <p>Cllr J Harris</p> <p>Cllr J Harris</p>
	<b>Future Topics</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Visit to Monmouthshire Council.</li> </ul>	