

City and County of Swansea

Minutes of the Scrutiny Performance Panel – Adult Services

Committee Room 3A, Guildhall, Swansea

Wednesday, 20 September 2017 at 3.00 pm

Present: Councillor P M Black (Chair) Presided

Councillor(s)Councillor(s)Councillor(s)V M EvansC A HolleyP R Hood-Williams

S M Jones

Co-opted Member(s) Co-opted Member(s)

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Officer(s)

Liz Jordan Scrutiny Officer

Alex Williams Head of Adult Services
Steve Porter Housing Options Manager

Apologies for Absence

Councillor(s): J W Jones and G J Tanner

1 Disclosure of Personal and Prejudicial Interests.

Disclosure of interests – Chris Holley.

2 Notes of meeting on 8 August 2017

The Panel agreed the notes as an accurate record of the meeting.

3 Prevention including (i) Update on Local Area Coordination (LAC) and (ii) Supporting People

Alex Williams, Head of Adult Services outlined the approach to Prevention. Steve Porter from Housing also attended for this item to answer questions on Supporting People.

Information, Advice and Assistance Strategy

Discussion points:

Concern about access to Social Services pages from front page of Council website

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Panel would like to know more about the DEWIS information platform

Actions:

- Letter to be sent to Cabinet Member for Service Transformation and Business Operations concerning access to Social Services pages on the website
- Brief presentation on DEWIS platform to be scheduled for a future meeting.

Local Area Coordination

Discussion points:

- Risk to the sustainability of the approach due to time limited partnership funding
- Performance data to be developed to show the contribution of Local Area Coordinators. Panel to be kept informed on progress.

Adult Family Group Conferencing

Agreed:

Panel would like more detail on this change in approach and how it works.

Actions:

- Alex Williams to provide a copy of the Safeguarding Member Induction Training for the 2 co-optees for information
- Alex Williams to provide more detail to the Panel on section 6 of the Prevention report, particularly 6.4 and 6.5
- Alex Williams to provide some scenarios to help the Panel understand Adult Family Group Conferencing.

Commissioning Strategy

Discussion points:

Commissioning Strategy to be developed after Prevention Strategy agreed. Work on the Commissioning Strategy will commence early in the new year.

Financial Implications

Discussion points:

The Panel feels it would be useful to use a pilot approach when shifting resource from more formal forms of care to a more prevention/early intervention approach.

4 Overview of Western Bay Programme

This item was postponed to a future meeting.

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5 Work Programme 2017- 18

Actions:

- Reschedule 'Overview of Western Bay Programme' to meeting on 21 November 2017. Include 'Governance' as part of the item
- Add 'Presentation on DEWIS platform' to future work programme. (Provisionally added to 16 January 2018 meeting)
- Send letter to Cabinet Member following the meeting for information.

The meeting ended at 4.30 pm