



City and County of Swansea

Notes of the **Scrutiny Performance Panel – Adult Services**

Council Chamber - Guildhall, Swansea

Monday, 17 September 2018 at 4.00 pm

Present: Councillor C A Holley (Acting Chair) Presided

Councillor(s)

P K Jones

Councillor(s)

P R Hood-Williams

J W Jones

Councillor(s)

Y V Jardine

E T Kirchner

Co-opted Member(s)

T Beddow

Co-opted Member(s)

Katrina Guntrip

Other Attendees

Mark Child

Cabinet Member - Care, Health & Ageing Well

Officer(s)

David Howes

Liz Jordan

Alex Williams

Director of Social Services

Scrutiny Officer

Head of Adult Services

Apologies for Absence

Councillor(s): P M Black (Chair), J A Hale, S M Jones and G J Tanner

1 Disclosure of Personal and Prejudicial Interests.

Disclosures of interest – Chris Holley, Jeff Jones and Mark Child.

2 Public Question Time

No questions were asked at the meeting.

3 Outcome of Residential Care and Day Services for Older People Commissioning Reviews

The Panel thanked the Cabinet Member and officers for providing the report and attending the meeting to present and discuss the Outcomes of Residential Care and Day Care Services for Older People Commissioning Reviews.

The Panel highlighted the following issues:

Residential Care

1. The Panel is satisfied that the consultation process followed has been very thorough.
2. We are concerned about whether the Health Board is completely signed up to and committed to the model and the forecast figures going forward for complex care.
3. We have concerns about the definition used for complex needs. This is very important as forecast number of beds is going to determine the capacity going forward.
4. The Panel is pleased that the consultation was carried out with a wide number of individuals and groups but is disappointed by the low number of responses.
5. The Panel feel it would have been useful to be able to identify the source of the responses – whether an individual or a body/organisation.
6. The Panel would like your assurance that if the proposals are accepted and Parkways is to close, that the well-being of residents will be put first and that adequate time will be allowed for all residents and their families to be properly engaged with and assessed and moved into alternative accommodation.
7. We feel the Western Bay Commissioning Strategy should have been included in this review and would like reassurance that any other proposals that are being progressed alongside these proposals will be taken on board.
8. The Panel is disappointed that there has been no formal response to the consultation from the trade unions given the effect on Council staff.

Day Services

9. There was very little information in the proposals about the future role and model in respect of Local Area Coordinators and community provision. We would like confirmation that there is a proposal to expand community based facilities if the proposal to close two day centres goes ahead.
10. Again, the Panel is disappointed by the low number of responses to the consultation and that there has been no formal response from the trade unions to the proposed closing of two day centres.

4 Discussion and Questions

The Convener of the Panel will attend Cabinet on the 20 September 2018 and a letter will be sent to the Cabinet Member outlining the Panels views.

The meeting ended at 5.30 pm