

Report to the Health & Wellbeing Overview and Scrutiny Committee

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Dementia Friendly Activities in Newcastle-under- Lyme



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Introduction

Dementia is acknowledged to be a major health & wellbeing issue that provides many challenges that are best met by working in partnership.

In 2010 the National Dementia Declaration for England led to the establishment of the national Dementia Action Alliance (DAA) co-ordinated by the Alzheimer's Society.

Locally the Staffordshire & Stoke on Trent DAA meets quarterly and brings a range of partners together to co-ordinate Dementia Friendly activities and projects. Newcastle Borough Council is an active member of Staffordshire & Stoke on Trent DAA.

Background

A Joint Meeting of Health & Wellbeing Scrutiny and Active & Cohesive Scrutiny Committees held on Wednesday 5th July 2017 received a presentation on Dementia Friendly initiatives in the Borough from Will Boyce, Chief Officer of Approach and Chair of the Staffordshire & Stoke-on-Trent Dementia Action Alliance (DAA).

Following that it was agreed that the Partnerships Locality Officer and the CEO of Approach, Mr Will Boyce compile a data base of dementia friendly facilities and activities within the Borough to be presented to Health & Wellbeing Scrutiny meeting to be held on 10th January 2018.

Questions to be Addressed

- 1) How does the information contained in the data base inform Scrutiny about dementia provision in the Borough?

- 2) How are dementia services in the Borough monitored to ensure, as far as reasonably possible, that needs are being met?

Outcomes

- 1) Scrutiny consider the data base that has been produced and advise as to what further action is required thereof to provide the information contained in a user friendly and informative manner.
- 2) Scrutiny to receive regular updates from both Council officers and the Staffordshire & Stoke-on-Trent DAA.

Supporting Information

Further to the aforementioned meeting held on 5th July 2017 a data base has been produced in Spreadsheet format with an emphasis on partnership activities & projects. The information contained does not, and cannot, claim to be fully comprehensive; it does not, for example, include the plethora of residential care and nursing homes whose residents will include people with dementia.

The information could be provided in other formats if required.

The Staffordshire & Stoke-on-Trent DAA's submission for Dementia Friendly Community Status includes information about dementia services & activities in the Borough.

Invited Partners/Stakeholders/Residents

Will Boyce, Chief Officer, Approach and Chair, Staffordshire & Stoke-on-Trent DAA.

Constraints

Nothing significant.

Conclusions

This report provides an update to Scrutiny on dementia services & activities in the Borough. Members are requested to note this information and advise on the next steps.

Relevant Portfolio Holder(s)

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Cllr. Simon Tagg, Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder - Corporate and Service Improvement, Partnerships and People

Local Ward Member (if applicable)

N/A

Background Materials

N/A

Appendices

Appendix One – Dementia services data base.

Appendix Two – Staffordshire & Stoke-on-Trent DAA submission for Dementia Friendly Communities status.

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