CABINET MEMBER UPDATE REPORT

Overview and Scrutiny (Adult Social Care and Health) - 26 June 2018

Councillor	Portfolio	Period of Report
Paul Cummins	Adult Social Care	May 2018

Delayed Transfers of Care (DToC)

At the February meeting of the Accident and Emergency Executive Delivery Board it was agreed that Newton Europe, a consultancy company, would be asked to undertake a detailed review of delayed transfers of care at Aintree Hospital. South Sefton Clinical Commissioning Group will be leading on the work at Aintree but with recognition of the need for collaboration with the multiple commissioning and provider stakeholders who support this system. Sefton's Adult Social Care hospital teams are actively involved in the workstream and it is hoped that the work will lead to improved processes and better outcomes for older people when they are discharged from hospital.

The review commenced on Monday 21st May. Findings and potential areas for improvement will be shared with partners at a senior level on a weekly basis before the final report is concluded at the end of June 2018.

Domiciliary Care Contracts

I would like to update you on the implementation of the new domiciliary care contracts. As you may be aware, these will be starting on 1st August 2018. New providers are: Castle Rock, ICare, and Local Solutions. These domiciliary care agencies will be the lead domiciliary care providers for Sefton supported by other accredited spot contract care agencies.

The officers are establishing meetings with the incumbent care agencies to ensure a smooth transition of services and have provided reassurance that the majority of care staff and service users will transfer to the new suppliers. This piece of work is obviously very complex and a culmination of several months of tendering. The new providers will be making contact with people who use services over the next few weeks and so there may be queries via Cabinet Members regarding this matter. Peter Moore is the lead officer for this piece of work that has been undertaken by his team in collaboration with Knowsley Council.

Sefton New Directions:

James Dixon Court

Plans are progressing in relation to updating the building and to remodel the service. It is hoped that the service will be supporting with respite care and step down from hospital as well as a focus on long term care for older people.

Transfer of Care Connect Domiciliary Support into Sefton New Directions

In March this year an existing care provider gave notice and Sefton New Directions stepped in as provider of last resort. The care staff and approximately 300 people with care packages transferred across. This transfer is progressing well and a large number of service users have now been reviewed and Sefton New Directions are continuing to recruit new carers.

Extra Care Housing

Developments are continuing with Liverpool City Council and Knowsley regarding the care and support element for extra care housing. Officers are also progressing development opportunities and are working on a technical specification to identify housing partners.

Consultation Plans

Officers will be launching a consultation with Direct Payment recipients regarding the implementation of two different fee rates. This will not disadvantage people who use Direct Payments as it will better reflect the arrangements people have for commissioning their care.

National Autistic Society (NAS) Sefton Parent Carer Group Launch

There is to be a launch of the newly established National Autistic Society Parent/Carer group on Friday 15th June from 11.00am in The Atkinson Centre in Southport.

Bill Esterson MP and I will be at the launch event for the peer support group which has been developed in partnership with the Autism Sub Group.