

**SUNDERLAND HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD**

**15 January 2016**

**FEEDBACK FROM THE ADULTS PARTNERSHIP BOARD**

**Report of the Chair of the Adults Partnership Board**

The Adults Partnership Board met on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January, 2016.

**4. Health & Wellbeing Board – Agenda**

Gentoo highlighted they had information on the impact of Universal Credit on their tenants and agreed to share it for the HWBB welfare reforms report.

It was agreed that it would be helpful for the APB to review the forward plan of the HWBB to give more time for partners to be able to provide input and put forward agenda items.

**5. Over2You Project**

Gentoo provided an update on the Over2You project which is a national three year pilot to train volunteers to carry out Quality Insight Reports and increase user voice and the quality of care in health and social care providers. It was noted the project has grown out of the findings from the Francis Report published in February 2013.

ST noted the project was not a duplicate of the work HealthWatch currently delivers although it is similar.

There were some issues getting through governance of large organisations – although City Hospitals queried what the project would do in addition to the volunteer real time feedback that they already do.

It was suggested that the project should focus on where there were gaps to ensure real added value.

The Board discussed how the project would be evaluated, which groups would benefit and how would the success of the pilot would be integrated into the system.

It was suggested that they could engage through the provider forum engagement session later in the year.

**Actions**

**The Board agreed to receive a further update at the meeting in March 2017.**

**6. Memorandum of Understanding for Carers**

Graham Burt from the Carers Centre reported that NHS England is developing a Memorandum of Understanding establishing an integrated approach to the identification and assessment of carer's health and wellbeing needs.

He is involved in the development of the MOU as a resource to help promote working between Adult Social Care Services, NHS Commissioners and Providers and specific voluntary organisations.

It is proposed that once finalised, the MOU is signed by all partners on the Health & Wellbeing Board to demonstrate their commitment to carers.

In the meantime the Carers strategy implementation group have developed an audit tool based on the core principles of the draft MOU and asked for support from partners to complete this.

## **Actions**

### **The Board agreed to**

- **Recommend the HWBB individual partners to sign the MOU once finalised.**
- **Task the Carers Strategy Implementation Group with undertaking an audit of Sunderland's readiness to support the core principles and report back with the findings.**

## **7. Future Role, Purpose and Priorities**

The Board discussed the need to ensure that the role and function of the group changes to ensure that it was relevant, focussed on a small number of key issues and resulted in the improvement of outcomes for people.

The Board looked at the HWBB priorities and agreed the need to focus on those issues that are not being tackled elsewhere.

Initial suggestions included

- **Sunderland as a Healthy Place**  
This could build on the existing work of Age Friendly Cities, look at the role of housing and links to health and social prescribing
- **Economy and Standard of Living**  
Including welfare reforms and affordable warmth & fuel poverty

It was suggested that the Board also needed to work on what its key priorities would be and how they would develop these and feed them back to the HWBB.

## **Actions**

- **To develop a short list of key priorities**
- **To establish time limited task and finish groups to progress action**

## **Date and Time of Next Meeting**

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March, 2016 at 2.30pm at the Civic Centre.