

Committee: Healthier Communities and Older People Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Date: 15th November 2012

Agenda item: **11**

Wards:

Subject: Merton LINK update

Lead officer: Barbara Price, Chair, Merton LINK

Lead member: Councillor Suzanne Evans, Chair of the Healthier Communities and Older People overview and scrutiny panel.

Forward Plan reference number:

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Recommendations:

- A. Panel members are asked to note and comment on the work of Merton LINK
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1 PURPOSE OF REPORT AND EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1. To present to this Panel the Merton Link current work programme

2 DETAILS

- 2.1. The Merton LINK work programme is attached at appendix A. This sets out the current key work streams. Panel members may wish to take this opportunity to comment on the work to date and consider how this Panel and the LINK can work together over the next few months.

3 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

The Healthier Communities and Older People Overview and Scrutiny Panel can select topics for scrutiny review and for other scrutiny work as it sees fit, taking into account views and suggestions from officers, partner organisations and the public.

Cabinet is constitutionally required to receive, consider and respond to scrutiny recommendations within two months of receiving them at a meeting.

- 3.1. Cabinet is not, however, required to agree and implement recommendations from Overview and Scrutiny. Cabinet could agree to implement some, or none, of the recommendations made in the scrutiny review final report.

4 CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN OR PROPOSED

- 4.1. The Panel will be consulted at the meeting

5 TIMETABLE

5.1. The Panel will consider important items as they arise as part of their work programme for 2012/13

6 FINANCIAL, RESOURCE AND PROPERTY IMPLICATIONS

6.1. None relating to this covering report

7 LEGAL AND STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

7.1. None relating to this covering report. . Scrutiny work involves consideration of the legal and statutory implications of the topic being scrutinised.

8 HUMAN RIGHTS, EQUALITIES AND COMMUNITY COHESION IMPLICATIONS

8.1. It is a fundamental aim of the scrutiny process to ensure that there is full and equal access to the democratic process through public involvement and engaging with local partners in scrutiny reviews. Furthermore, the outcomes of reviews are intended to benefit all sections of the local community.

9 CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

9.1. None relating to this covering report. Scrutiny work involves consideration of the crime and disorder implications of the topic being scrutinised.

10 RISK MANAGEMENT AND HEALTH AND SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

10.1. None relating to this covering report

11 APPENDICES – THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS ARE TO BE PUBLISHED WITH THIS REPORT AND FORM PART OF THE REPORT

- MERTON LINK work programme

12 BACKGROUND PAPERS

12.1. None

LINK Merton 2012 Work Programme & Engagement Update

Mapping mental health day care services - Draft report currently being finalised.

Strengthening links with GP surgeries and local communities (including developing Patient Participation Groups) – GP practice managers' meeting attended; design and deliver two workshops (1st workshop for Practice Managers and 2nd for PPG members/potential members); using materials devised for the workshops, produce and make available a toolkit of useful PPG resources; follow up development support for GP Practices

Quality of residential care and customer experience of domiciliary care - Planning of LINK hosted Merton Dignity in Care Conference (Jan/Feb 2013). Liaison with Merton Seniors Forum re. Their Comic Relief-funded Care Champions Project

Support for carers, and carers' engagement and representation - Mapping carers' representation and networks (CSM & LINK Merton co-ordinator)

Helping the development of new NHS structures (e.g. Health and Wellbeing Board, Clinical Commissioning Group, Local Healthwatch) - Planning and facilitation of LINK hosted H&WB Strategy consultation (21/11/12).

Community engagement in NHS developments, e.g. Better Services Better Value - Discussions with NHS SWL and preparation for hosting public consultation meetings in Nov/Dec; now postponed due to NHS consultation delay.

LINK Steering Group

Monthly meetings being held to monitor work programme delivery progress, and to co-ordinate ongoing/future work and engagement. 19/10/12 mtg: SWL & St G's MH NHS attendance re. Integrated Business Plan (Foundation Trust development)

Next LINK Public Meeting: Being planned as a Saturday daytime event in January

LINK Merton Representation

Meetings / Events	LINK rep
Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board	Barbara Price
One Merton Group	Barbara Price
LBM - Healthier Communities and Older People Overview and Scrutiny Panel	Barbara Price
Long Term Conditions Network	Melanie Monaghan
NHS South West London – Patient and Public Advisory Group	Barbara Price
NHS South West London – Better Services Better Value Integrated Impact Assessment steering group	Roy Benjamin
Mitcham Local Care Centre Project Board	Jay Patel
St Georges Hospital Foundation Trust Steering Group	Vacancy
St Georges Hospital Patient Issues Committee	Vacancy
St Helier Hospital Local Representatives Panel	Vacancy
St Helier Improving Patient Experience Committee	Jane Platts
South West London St Georges MHT – Foundation Trust Stakeholder Steering Group	Jay Patel
De-merger Epsom, Sutton & St Helier's hospitals	Vacant
111 Comms&Eng for Sutton & Merton	Susanne Baccini
'Transforming Local Mental Health Services' event 14.11.12	Jay Patel (& possibly Melanie Monaghan)