

COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING – 28 JUNE 2017

POSITION STATEMENT FROM THE CABINET LEAD MEMBER FOR HEALTH

HEALTH AND CARE INTEGRATION

2017/18 marks the third year of our health and care integration programme. The Better Care Fund plan and pooled budget that operates between the Council and the two County CCGs increases from £40m in 2016/17 to £52m in 2017/18, primarily due to the additional adult social care allocation announced by the Government in March.

We have the full support of all our health partners and the programme is fully aligned with the five year plan to transform health and care across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland. We are increasingly working across LLR to provide care and support in a more consistent way which is easier to navigate for our citizens, communities, and professionals.

Some of the more exciting changes are being led by the Leicestershire health and care integration programme. These include:-

- The development and implementation of the **Lightbulb Housing Service** – an integrated housing support service which brings together, through one point of contact, a range of support such as aids and adaptations, energy advice, home safety and home maintenance to help people stay safe and independent. This is being rolled out across the whole of Leicestershire during 2017, starting with Blaby District which has been instrumental in the development of the service. Lightbulb also includes a hospital housing discharge scheme that serves the whole of Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland.
- The implementation of **Integrated Locality Teams** whereby community nurses, GP practice and social care staff work hand in hand to support the same cohort of people in their locality. This delivers truly multiagency care planning and improved care coordination in the community, keeping people at home for as long as possible.
- A new area of work called **Home First** that focuses on the further improvements needed to hospital discharge and reablement. A new integrated discharge team is being implemented from July at the University Hospitals of Leicester, with plans to deliver the same approach in our community and mental health sites later in the year.

- **Integrated Points of Access** - An opportunity to design a new, integrated call centre for community based care. We are working to bring together health and social care call centres currently operated by the City, County and Rutland Councils, Leicestershire Partnership Trust, and University Hospitals of Leicester. This will not only create a more consistent and efficient service but will also support other programmes such as Home First and the Integrated Locality Teams.
- **Integrated data** – having adopted the NHS number across health and social care records, we can now go on to develop a summary care record that can be linked, viewed and edited by both the NHS and County Council staff, helping all professionals involved in patient care to have access to the most up-to-date information. We are also implementing new tools and data sets to analyse the population and our health and care system as a whole, to inform the planning and commissioning of services in the future.

I am very proud of the progress we have made locally and would like to extend my thanks to all the partners who have given so much of their time and expertise to lead this work over the past two years.

The challenges we continue to face are considerable, given increasing demands and expectations on public services and our ageing population.

I am committed to driving further collaboration across the partnership in my role as Chair of the Leicestershire Health and Wellbeing Board, as this is where we will achieve the best outcomes for residents and the best value for the Leicestershire pound.

I would like to invite all members to the briefing on 3 July at 2.00pm where you will hear more details about this fantastic programme. We will have the opportunity then to expand on the presentation which had to be curtailed at the briefing on Monday 19 June.