

CABINET MEMBER FOR HEALTH AND WELLBEING
14th April, 2014

Present:- Councillor Wyatt (in the Chair); Councillors Tweed and Buckley.

K81. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest made at the meeting.

K82. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Consideration was given to the minutes of the meeting held on 10th March, 2014.

It was noted that the Suicide Prevention and Self-Harm Conference (Minute No. K69 refers) had been a great success.

There had been a good response to registrations for the 'Working Together for a Healthier Rotherham' Conference to be held on 16th July, 2014.

Resolved:- That the minutes of the meeting held on 10th March, 2014, be approved as a correct record.

K83. HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

The minutes of meetings of the Health and Wellbeing Board held on 19th February and 26th March, 2014 were noted.

K84. CONFERENCES

Resolved:- (1) That the intended attendance by the Chairman at the half day conference by the Yorkshire and Humber Mental Health Commissioning Network to be held on 11th June, 2014, at Wentbridge, Pontefract, be noted.

(2) That the Chairman (or substitute) be authorised to attend the Workbase Wellbeing Charter event by Public Health England, Health@Work and Liverpool City Council to be held on 4th June in Liverpool.

(3) That the Chairman (or substitute) be authorised to attend the Public Health England Electronic Cigarettes and Tobacco Harm Reduction Symposium to be held on 15th May, 2014, in London.

K85. ROTHERHAM HEART TOWN

The notes of the Rotherham Heart Town Steering Group held on 11th March, 2014, were submitted for information.

It was noted that there was to be a stakeholder event on 10th June, 2014.

K86. CHILD HEALTH PROFILE MARCH 2014

The profile, providing a snapshot of child health in the area, was submitted for information. The key findings were:-

- Children and young people under the age of 20 years made up 24.1% of the population of Rotherham – 14.5% of school children were from a minority ethnic group
- The health and wellbeing of children in Rotherham was mixed compared with the Rotherham average – infant and child mortality rates were similar to the England average
- Level of child poverty was worse than the England average – 23.2% of children aged under 16 years lived in poverty
- 9.5% of children aged 4-5 years and 21.0% of children aged 10-11 years were classified as obese
- Lower % of mothers initiated breastfeeding compared to the England average. By 6-8 weeks after birth the % was lower than the England average (29.7%)
- In 2012/13 children were admitted for mental health conditions at a lower rate to that in England as a whole
- The rate of inpatient admission during 2012/13 due to self-harm was lower than the England average

Concern was expressed at some of the information contained within the profile. It was noted that Public Health would be producing a report on areas in the Public Health Outcomes Framework where performance was poor or on a downward trend, including some Indicators relating to children and young people. This would be submitted to the Health and Wellbeing Board.

Resolved:- That the report be noted.

K87. BREAST CANCER CAMPAIGN

The Chairman reported receipt of a letter from the Breast Cancer Campaign regarding a newly published report entitled “Finding the cures, improving the care”. The report explored how more effective monitoring of performance against the NICE Breast Cancer Quality Standard could be used to drive improvements in the standard of care for women with breast cancer and included recommendations that applied to Health and Wellbeing Boards.

It recommended that Health and Wellbeing Boards take into account the findings from the peer review process during the development of its Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and consider whether there were opportunities to introduce incentives for local Trusts to ensure patients with recurrent or secondary breast cancer had their care discussed by a multi-disciplinary team.

Resolved:- That the information be forwarded to the Strategic Commissioning Manager.

K88. BEREAVEMENT SERVICES FORUM

Alan Pogorzelec, Business Regulation Manager, referred to the recent meeting of the Bereavement Services Forum and gave the following update with regard to the Borough's cemeteries:-

East Herringthorpe Crematorium

- Both cremators had been serviced. Issues identified on 1 would result in it being taken out of service for re-lining work
- It should not result in any impact on service but Dignity had plans in place should a problem arise
- The entrance to the Book of Remembrance had been altered so as to avoid conflict with mourners exiting the chapel
- New CCTV system installed which now covered the chapel, the outside of the building and the flower garden thus allowing Crematorium staff to monitor the area

East Herringthorpe Cemetery

- A site visit had been made to Bradford to observe Muslim grave construction. A new method of producing a lined grave had been developed which met the community's needs and addressed concerns raised
- Grave space was not an issue - 70 plots had been used last year

Greasbrough Lane

- Grave space was not an issue – 30 plots had been used last year
- There were health and safety concerns for funeral undertakers given the sloping nature of the site

Wath

- Growing pressure for spaces – 15 new plots used last year with approximately 60 remaining
- Work was taking place on possible identification of new site

Maltby

- Approximately 294 spaces remaining – 26 full space used last year
- An issue had arisen recently with the stealing of lead from the lychgate

Haugh Road

- The cemetery was full and only open for the re-opening of graves
- Issue with potholes on the driveway
- Chapel falling into disrepair

Town Lane, Greasbrough

- The cemetery was full and only open for the re-opening of graves
- Few cremated remains plots left
- Chapel in poor state of repair

Masbrough

- The cemetery was full and only open for the re-opening of graves
- Similar issues with the 2 Chapels

Moorgate

- The cemetery had benefitted in the past from the work of Community Payback. However, since the disposal of the workshops, which had been used as mess facilities, that work had not taken place
- The cemetery was maintained as per the requirements of the contract but had previously been maintained to a higher level (see above bullet point)
- The Chapel had fallen into disrepair

High Street, Rawmarsh

- The cemetery was full
- Managed environmentally

Chapels

- A request had been submitted for an element of Housing General Fund monies to be rolled over into the 2014/15 financial year to be used for the maintenance of cemeteries
- It was also hoped to use some of the funding on the Chapels

Memorial Day

- Dignity were interested in holding a “Celebration of Life” event at East Herringthorpe for the families of those who had passed away that year

Resolved:- (1) That the report be noted.

(2) That a report be submitted to the June meeting on the proposed Celebration of Life event.

K89. MOTOR NEURONE DISEASE ASSOCIATION - MND CHARTER

The Chairman reported receipt of correspondence from the Motor Neurone Disease Association requesting sign up to the MND Charter “achieving quality of life, dignity and respect for people with MND and their carers”.

The document had been considered by the Health and Wellbeing Board but had not been unanimously supported due to commissioning issues.

Resolved:- That the Charter be discussed further at the April meeting of the Health and Wellbeing Board.

K90. DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING

Resolved:- That the next meeting of the Cabinet Member take place on Monday, 9th June, 2014 at 11.30 a.m. at the Town Hall.