

RIBBLE VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL REPORT TO HEALTH & HOUSING COMMITTEE

Meeting date: 29 AUGUST 2024
Title: UPDATE ON RIBBLE VALEY HEALTH AND WELLBEING PARTNERSHIP
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1 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To provide an update on the Ribble Valley Health and Wellbeing Partnership (here after referred to as 'the Partnership) and for Committee to endorse the membership of the Partnership and its sub-groups and its priorities.
- 1.2 Relevance to the Council's ambitions and priorities
- Community Objectives – Creating flourishing, healthy and happy communities.
 - Corporate Priorities - To improve the health and wellbeing of everyone living in the Borough.
 - Other Considerations - None

2 UPDATE

- 2.1 This Committee at its meeting on 31 August 2023 received a presentation on the Lancashire Place initiative (See Appendix 1). The presentation explained the new arrangements for health provision which include the setting of individual Health and Wellbeing Partnerships in each District. At the same meeting, Committee decided that that three elected Members from the Health and Wellbeing Working Group will sit on the Partnership.
- 2.2 Prior to setting up the Partnership a workshop was held on 18 April 2024 with a wide range of stakeholders from LCC, NHS and the voluntary sector to consider health priorities in Ribble Valley (See Appendix 2 for the notes from the workshop). The workshop concluded three priorities for the Partnership –
- Community Connections
 - Mental Health
 - Social Isolation and Loneliness

The workshop further considered the current strengths (assets) and weakness (gaps) for each of the priorities.

- 2.3 At the meeting of this Committee on 6th June 2024 the new membership of the Working Group was agreed. The Health and Wellbeing Working Group met on 20 June 2024 and recommended that Cllrs M Hindle, M Robinson and N Stubbs sit on the Partnership. Committee are asked to confirm they agree to the recommendations of the Working Group in respect of the Councillors who will sit on the Partnership.

- 2.4 The Partnership met on 25 July 2024 and endorsed the three priorities also agreeing that sub-groups be set up for each of the priorities. Each sub-group will have one elected member and at least one Council officer and will be tasked with preparing an action plan to address the gaps identified at the workshop. Cllr M Hindle met with the Head of Strategic Planning and Housing to discuss the membership of each sub-group which will meet in September / early October prior to the Partnership meeting again in October. The membership of each of sub-group is:

Community Connections Sub-group

- RVBC (Councillor and Officer),
- LCC Public Health,
- Ribblesdale PCN,
- Lancashire Carers Link,
- VCSF,
- East Lancashire Hospice
- Lancashire Place.

Mental Health Sub-group

- RVBC (Councillor and Officer),
- LCC – Children and Young Adults,
- Lancashire and South Cumbria Nhs Lscft,
- Integrated Neighbourhood Team,
- Foundation of Ribble Valley Families,
- East Lancashire Hospital Trust
- Lancashire Place

Social Isolation and Loneliness

- RVBC (Councillor and Officer),
- LCC – Adult Social Care
- Preston PCN
- Age UK
- Social Prescriber - Ribblesdale
- Social Prescriber - Longridge
- Lancashire Place

- 2.5 Committee endorsement for this sub-group approach along with the suggested membership is requested.

3. RISK ASSESSMENT

- 3.1 The approval of this report may have the following implications:

- Resources – Staff time will be required to input in the sub-groups and the Partnership.
- Technical, Environmental and Legal – The Report does not raise any technical, environmental or legal issues.
- Political – It is important that the Council has an active role in the work of the Partnership in address health and wellbeing issues in the Borough.

- Reputation – The work of the Partnership is part of the NHS Place Initiative across the country and aims improve health and wellbeing services to communities.
- Equality & Diversity – The Report does not raise any equality and diversity issues. The work of the partnership will address health and wellbeing issues in the community.

4. **RECOMMENDED THAT COMMITTEE**

- 4.1 Endorse the Health and Wellbeing Working Group's recommendation that Cllrs M Hindle, M Robinson and N Stubbs sit on the Health and Wellbeing Partnership.
- 4.2 Endorse the three health and wellbeing priorities agreed by the Partnership and the membership of the three sub-groups to consider each priority.

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