

## PROTECTING VULNERABLE ADULTS OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BOARD 22 December 2015

ITEM 6

Report of the Acting Strategic Director of Adults and Health

# Items Referred from Corporate Scrutiny and Governance Board

#### **SUMMARY**

- 1.1 At the meeting on 9 June 2015, the Corporate Scrutiny and Governance Board considered a report on tackling social isolation and loneliness faced by older people.
- 1.2 At this meeting the Board resolved to recommend to Council Cabinet that an evaluation report is submitted to a meeting of the Protecting Vulnerable Adults Board for review and to assist in identifying how this could be achieved. The Board also commended the Local Area Co-ordination service and resolved that they would like to see future expansion of the service across the city to include all 17 wards.

### RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 That an evaluation report is submitted to the next meeting of the Protecting Vulnerable Adults Board for review and to assist in identifying how tackling social isolation and loneliness could be achieved.
- 2.2 To add social isolation and loneliness to the work programme.

#### REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 The Board has a statutory responsibility for scrutinising health services in the city and to help improve services for Derby residents.
- 3.2 to ensure partnership working occurs between Council services being delivered in communities and with other local groups and partner organisations to ensure efficiency and cost effectiveness.
- 3.3 In its role as the statutory health scrutiny committee, the Protecting Vulnerable Adults Board has a responsibility to investigate and support services for the residents of Derby.

#### **SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

- 4.1 Board Members were informed that the Council is now seeking agreement for the expansion of neighbourhood services for older people with social care needs, in particular the growth of the Council's Shared Lives service which was developed after listening to the priorities and preferences of local older and disabled people.
- 4.2 The Board noted that there may be a gap in the service provision to ensure that criminality issues faced by vulnerable older people such as fraud through telephone and doorstep 'scams' could be addressed. Members said that they were aware that Local Area Co-ordinators were working hard to ensure that they are fully aware of the social demographics of the areas they cover and expressed that they would like to see this better utilised through engagement and co-ordination with other partners and local people working in the neighbourhoods.

#### OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

5.1 None

This report has been approved by the following officers:

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None
Appendix 1 – Implications

#### **IMPLICATIONS**

### **Financial and Value for Money**

1.1 None directly arising from this report

### Legal

2.1 None directly arising from this report.

#### Personnel

3.1 There are no implications arising directly from this report.

#### IT

4.1 None directly arising from this report.

### **Equalities Impact**

5.1 Effective scrutiny benefits all Derby people and the very nature of the Board ensures that it looks in depth at equality in all its investigations.

### **Health and Safety**

6.1 None directly arising from this report.

### **Environmental Sustainability**

7.1 None directly arising from this report.

### **Property and Asset Management**

8.1 None directly arising from this report.

#### **Risk Management**

9.1 None directly arising from this report.

### Corporate objectives and priorities for change

10.1 The report contributes to the following Council objectives: Good quality services that meet local needs.