

**SUBJECT: Population Needs Assessment**

**MEETING: Children and Young People & Adults Select Committee**

**DATE: 6<sup>th</sup> February 2017**

**DIVISIONS/WARDS AFFECTED: All**

## **1 PURPOSE**

- 1.1 To present the Social Services and Wellbeing Act draft Population Needs Assessment (PNA) regional report.

## **2 BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 The Social Services and Wellbeing Act (2014) places a statutory duty on local authorities and health boards to prepare a regional population needs assessment (PNA) in relation to people requiring care and support. A draft PNA has been jointly developed across the region (Blaenau Gwent, Caerphilly, Monmouthshire, Newport and Torfaen) by Aneurin Bevan University Health Board and the Gwent Transformation Team. The PNA sets out the common priorities across the region and suggested actions.
- 2.2 The Social Services and Well-being Act provides the statutory framework to deliver integrated health and social services and preventative services to support people and carers of all ages, as well as families and communities.

## **3 RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 3.1 Members are invited to scrutinise the draft PNA report to ensure: (i) that it presents a clear and specific evidence base in relation to the care and support needs of the population of Monmouthshire and (ii) the regional PNA priorities and suggested actions will support the delivery of local health and social care solutions.
- 3.3 Together with other local authorities in the 'Gwent' region and the Aneurin Bevan University Health Board, agree to sign off the final PNA by March 31<sup>st</sup> 2017 and to subsequently publish it on the Monmouthshire Council website

## **4 KEY ISSUES**

- 4.1 The purpose of the PNA is to ensure that local authorities and Local Health Boards jointly produce a clear and specific evidence base in relation to care and support needs and carers' needs, to underpin the delivery of statutory support functions and inform planning and operational decisions. This draft assessment is included as an appendix to this report.

- 4.2 The PNA will dovetail with the well-being assessment being produced on behalf of the Public Service Board as part of our response to the Well-being of Future Generations Act. That PNA will be examined separately by the PSB Scrutiny Committee before both are presented at Council on 20<sup>th</sup> March.
- 4.3 The PNA should enable the council to focus on preventative approaches to care and support needs and provide the information required to support resource and budgetary decisions; ensuring services and outcomes are targeted, sustainable, effective and efficient.
- 4.4 A draft regional PNA has been developed and is currently out for consultation. The main points to note
- The PNA will contain the high level priorities and suggested actions but the data graphs will be included in technical appendices – the PNA will read as executive summary and not include a large number of data graphs
  - The PNA will have to be signed off and agreed by individual local authority councils and the health board by March 31<sup>st</sup> 2017 and subsequently published on individual websites
- 4.5 The PNA was developed through extensive engagement with the regional citizen panel, provider forum and regional executive director leadership group; as well as local groups such as youth forums, older people's forums, carers groups and parenting networks. Engagement was also supported by MCC and PSB through the '*Our Monmouthshire*'. Some of the emerging areas of interest are below but further engagement is planned during the consultation period
- An ageing population brings many opportunities, however there are also challenges for service provision and increases in the number of people living with long term conditions.
  - Loneliness is a growing concern.
  - Monmouthshire has high levels of social capital and volunteering. By taking an asset and placed based approach there is an opportunity to improving well-being.
  - Increasing support is required for Looked After Children
  - Adverse childhood experiences have a negative impact on people's long term health and economic prospects and can be perpetuated through the generations.
- 4.6 Following the publication of the regional report each local authority and health board are required to prepare and publish a plan setting out the range and level of services they propose to provide, or arrange to be provided, in response to the population needs assessment. Area plans must include the specific services planned in response to each core theme identified in the population assessment. As part of this, area plans must include:
- the actions partners will take in relation to the priority areas of integration for Regional Partnership Boards;
  - the instances and details of pooled funds to be established in response to the population assessment;
  - how services will be procured or arranged to be delivered, including by alternative delivery models;

- details of the preventative services that will be provided or arranged;
- actions being taken in relation to the provision of information, advice and assistance services; and
- actions required to deliver services through the medium of Welsh.

4.7 The first area plans must be published by 1 April 2018 and there will be a need to ensure links between the Area Plan and the local authority Well-being Plans required under the Well-being of Future Generations Act to facilitate collaborative working between the 2 legislative duties and avoid duplication. Links to Monmouthshire's Corporate Improvement Plan and ABUHB Intermediate Medium Term Plans will also need to be established, as well as alignment to the Neighbourhood Care Network plans in each of the GP cluster areas.

## **5. REASONS**

5.1 To ensure that the authority is compliant with the the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014.

5.2 To ensure that there is clear and specific evidence base in relation to care and support needs of citizens, and carers' needs, to underpin the delivery of services and ensure that needs are met in the most appropriate way.

## **6. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:**

None

## **7. SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AND EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS:**

None - This report does not propose a change of policy or service delivery at this stage. However, the evidence it surfaces will be used to inform service transformation and further assessments will be completed for any recommendations arising from this report and presented through the statutory Area Plan required by April 2018.

## **8. SAFEGUARDING AND CORPORATE PARENTING IMPLICATIONS**

The Social Services and Wellbeing Act strengthens national safeguarding arrangements for older people as well as reinforcing safeguarding as 'everyone's business' and the duty to report concerns. The Act also introduces new arrangements for fostering arrangements and care leavers 'When I am ready' and increases the age of care leavers from 18 to 21 years of age.

## **9. CONSULTEES:**

**Chief Officer for Social Care, Safeguarding and Health**

## **Cabinet Member Social Care and Health**

### **10. BACKGROUND PAPERS:**

Social Services and Wellbeing Act codes of practice

<http://www.ccwales.org.uk/codes-of-practice-and-statutory-guidance/>

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