

# LINCOLNSHIRE HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

Open Report on behalf of Glen Garrod, Director of Adult Social Services

Report to Lincolnshire Health and Wellbeing Board

Date: 11 June 2013

Subject: Dementia Strategy Update

### **Summary:**

A partnership approach to the review of the previous Dementia Strategy and the development of the new Dementia Strategy has been initiated with the launch of a consultation during Dementia Awareness Week, and the introduction of a Dementia Core Group to steer the Lincolnshire agenda. Discussions around a Lincolnshire Dementia Partnership and a resulting Customer Journey and Pathway have begun, alongside a mapping exercise to establish gaps in service and provision.

### **Actions Required:**

For the Board to:

- 1. Note the launch of the Consultation
- 2. Comment on the attached discussion document
- 3. Agree the approach to partnership working

## 1. Background

The Lincolnshire Joint Commissioning Strategy for Dementia Care 2010 – 2014 was published in June 2010. As part of the continued partnership work between Lincolnshire County Council and the four Lincolnshire CCGs it was decided that the current strategy would be reviewed and a new strategy agreed that supported the national drivers, and considerable national agenda for change and improvement, alongside local drivers and needs.

As part of the review, a consultation has begun that will take place between 20 May and 19 July 2013. This consultation includes a questionnaire (Appendix A) that examines the impact of the current strategy, asks about current services and pathways, and seeks information about service gaps and improvement opportunities. The consultation will also include a number of events held around the County to discuss local issues in more depth and to establish a robust picture of current thoughts and future thinking around dementia in Lincolnshire.

Alongside the work around the consultation, we have also sought to begin a local 'conversation' about dementia. This begun at the Dementia Summit held in February 2013, and has continued through the establishment of a Dementia Core Group with members from CCGs, Health providers, Public Health, the Third sector and Adult Care. This group has been formed to help shape the future direction of dementia services across Lincolnshire, by sharing priorities, opportunities, ideas and risks. A partnership approach to taking forward the dementia partnership in Lincolnshire is being sought and the attached discussion paper on a Lincolnshire Dementia Partnership (Appendix B) has been shared with the group in order to agree the cornerstones of a partnership approach in terms of shared principles, outcomes and actions.

At the heart of the current discussions is an agreed journey and pathway for dementia in Lincolnshire. The journey (based on national best practise models) lays out six phases of a pathway, and we have sought to mirror all discussions around dementia around these phases – for example, the current consultation is constructed around the phases.



Although a new strategy is clearly needed for the County, we do not want to wait until we have a new document before making changes. The Dementia Core Group is currently analysing potential 'quick wins' and is sharing knowledge in order to deliver improvements. We are also analysing where potential pilot work can begin in order to demonstrate the potential for change and improvement through adoption of a new journey and pathway

#### 2. Conclusion

It is hoped that through both the Dementia Core Group and the Health and Wellbeing Board, agreement to this partnership approach; the shared principles, outcomes and actions; and the dementia journey and pathway can be achieved. Agreement at this level will allow us to proceed with a joined up approach to strategy, commissioning and development that will deliver Lincolnshire an improved and effective system to support people affected by dementia.

#### 3. Consultation

A Public Consultation has begun and ruins from 20 May to 19 July 2013.

## 4. Appendices

These are listed below and attached at the back of the report	
Appendix A	Consultation Paper
Appendix B	Lincolnshire Dementia Partnership Discussion Paper

# 5. Background Papers

No background papers within Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972 were used in the preparation of this report.

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