

COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING – 20 MAY 2016

**Statement from: Councillor Mrs S Woolley, Executive Councillor for
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LINCOLNSHIRE HEALTH AND WELLBEING

Better Care Fund

In the Chancellor's Statement in November 2015 he announced 'an extra £1.5bn into the Better Care Fund (BCF) by 2019/20 through local authorities' (though the phasing in of this increase will not commence until 2017/18), the financial effect for us in Lincolnshire is profound as the value of the increase will result in an extra £25m approximately by 2019/20. In addition there will be twice as much being allocated to support improved housing for vulnerable people via the Disabled Facilities Grant.

The negotiations with NHS partners to secure a BCF for this year were particularly challenging. Primarily this is because of the increasing financial difficulties experienced by the NHS nationally and, locally – which reminds us that the BCF is not new money and is transferred from the NHS. Furthermore new national guidance came out very late - leaving just two weeks to produce a first BCF submission - and, new national conditions were added.

Notwithstanding the challenges of securing future 'protection' for social care via the BCF, it is clear that the Government intends that integration between health and care will be required within the life-time of this Parliament and, that local plans must be in place by March 2017.

Diabetes Prevention

The NHS Diabetes Prevention Programme (NHS DPP) will commence a phased roll out and delivery in England. Type 2 Diabetes represents 90% of all diabetes and it is largely caused by lifestyle factors which can be modified. The NHS DPP will offer people who are at risk of developing Type 2 diabetes the opportunity to take action to reduce their risk factors. NHS England have selected four providers that will sit on a national framework. We are in the process of selecting our provider for Greater Lincolnshire. It is aimed that people will start being referred into the programme in June 2016.

Joint Strategic Needs Assessment

The Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) reports on the health and wellbeing needs of the people of Lincolnshire. It brings together detailed information on local health and wellbeing needs and looks ahead at emerging challenges and projected future needs. The JSNA is the overarching evidence base and is used by the Health and Wellbeing Board to inform the shared priorities in the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy (JHWS) and as the basis for the planning and commissioning of services.

Since 2012 responsibility for producing the JSNA sits with the Lincolnshire Health and Wellbeing Board. The current JSNA has been in place since 2011 and is

constructed around 35 individual topics that consider specific areas of need. In March 2015 the Board agreed to review the JSNA and an initial phase of stakeholder engagement, focusing the processes, content and structure of the current JSNA, concluded in December 2015. A number of recommendations on the future provision of Lincolnshire's JSNA were agreed by the Board in March 2016.

A fundamental review of the JSNA began in April 2016 and a phased work programme has been put in place to ensure all the topics are updated by early 2017. Alongside this, any potential new JSNA topics identified as part of the review progress will be considered and timetabled into the review programme as appropriate. The topic reviews will be undertaken by Expert Panels made up of representatives from the county council, clinical commissioning groups, and other partner agencies. Each Expert Panel will be supported by a data analyst and a JSNA officer.

The refreshed JSNA will be published by April 2017 in time to inform the priority setting for the new Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy.

Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment

The Health and Wellbeing Board is also required to produce a Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA). This document reviews pharmaceutical provision in Lincolnshire and identifies any gaps or deficiencies that need to be addressed. NHS England is required to take account of the PNA when commissioning pharmaceutical services in Lincolnshire.

Lincolnshire's current PNA was published in March 2015 and the PNA Steering Group met at the end of March 2016 to assess if any changes need to be made to the document. Specialists were in attendance to update the Group on any changes to demographics (ie the need) in the last year. A review of pharmacy applications dealt with by NHSE over this intervening time period was also carried out. The Group was also tasked with assessing any other factors which may affect pharmaceutical provision in the county. The Group noted the new pharmacy has opened Wragby and a number of sizeable new housing estates are planned for parts of the County which may alter need in the future. However, the Group concluded no significant change in need or provision has taken place since March 2015 which requires the PNA to be republished.

On 3 May 2016, an awareness session was held for Board Members and wider partners on Community Pharmacies. The session, run in conjunction with NHS England Area Team and the Lincolnshire Local Pharmaceutical Committee, provided information on the Community Pharmacy Contractual Framework and the regulations relating to pharmacy applications. It also provided an opportunity for partners to discuss the Community Pharmacy consultation – *Community Pharmacy in 2016/17 and beyond* – currently being undertaken by the Department of Health and NHS England.

My Rural Life

In March 2015 the Health and Wellbeing Board awarded £10,096 of HWB Grant Funding to Sortified Ltd for a project call 'My Rural Life'. This was a short term project to develop a toolkit for people at risk of social isolation in the most rural parts of Lincolnshire. The toolkit has been developed in consultation with older people and allows people to see how much they could be at risk of isolation by answering some simple risk based questions. The project concluded in January 2016 and further information is available on the My Rural Life website - www.myrurallife.org.uk

Investing in Volunteers

Lincolnshire County Council achieved 'Investors in Volunteering' accreditation, with no conditions in January of this year for a three year period. For such a large organisation with diverse service areas, this is a significant achievement. In fact, only one other top-tier authority in England (Warwickshire) holds the standard. The accreditation is designed to improve the experience of our volunteers and those who support them in their volunteering. The 'Investing in Volunteers' standard enables people to volunteer in a positive and supportive environment, with reassurance that proper management systems are in place.

Big Society Fund 2015/16

Allocations of grants from the Big Society Fund are now being wound up with a total of 343 awards having been made during the 2015/16 year. Over 1,700 awards totalling over £735,000 have been made over the five years that the fund has been running. A diverse range of projects have benefitted: from equipment for pre-school groups to Christmas lunch for senior citizens through to equipment for village halls and training for people to become proficient in British Sign Language.

Monies have also been spent on helping to refurbish sports pavilions and provide equipment for clubs for people of all ages across the County.

Armed Forces Community Covenant

I am pleased to report that following two funding rounds of the Covenant Fund during 2015/16, two projects from Lincolnshire have been successful in their applications; congratulations to Digby Memorial Hall and to Lincolnshire County Council's Memories and Memorials Project.

I, together with Commodore Luck, as co-Chairs of the Partnership are currently reviewing membership of the Partnership Board and are hoping this will ensure a streamlined and effective source of co-ordination into the future.

We are now working alongside the Royal British Legion to deliver another effective and informative Annual Conference on the issues around military and community co-operation. This is likely to be held in June/July 2016 and I would urge you to look out for the date in due course.

Community Grant Aid/Funding and Information Events

The Community Grants programme came to an end on 31 March 2016. However we still have 51 'live' projects across the County, each at different stages of delivery. The most recent round of awards was made in February 2016 and all of these projects are yet to start.

The seventh of seven 'Funding and Information' events took place on 5 April 2016 in Mablethorpe. Whilst not as well attended as previous events, the advice and support we, and other funders, were able to give was just as valuable. Over the course of all events we have offered advice and support to more than 250 people from community organisations across the County. In addition, funders, including organisations such as Big Lottery, Lincolnshire Community Voluntary Services, Volunteer Centre Services, Lincolnshire Co-op and WREN, have been able to attend.

Lincolnshire Sport

Lincolnshire Sport continues to provide a wide range of services to the sporting network across the County. The networks include community clubs, District Councils, facilities, schools, Further and Higher Education Institutes, local communities, the Health Sector, local business and individuals.

In the last 12 months over £244,406 has been secured in Lincolnshire, of funding through Sport England projects and programmes.

National Governing Bodies of Sport

Rounders - Lincoln Ladies league up and running again, so far 6 teams have confirmed entry

Bowls - 188 new members in clubs, 22 new disabled members in the 16–54 age range at Louth and Lincoln Clubs. Just Bowl – Students from Lincoln College have been trained to deliver the Just Bowl project at Ancaster Day Centre in Lincoln.

Athletics - Couch 2 5K currently has 298 new runners, while Park Run for Lincoln stands at 250, Gainsborough at 50, Belton Woods at 180, Boston at 80 per week.

Workplace Challenge – 384 businesses and 2162 participants taking part in the 12 week programme..

Disability - Get Out Get Active - Spirit of 2012 bringing £300,000 in to Lincolnshire (East Lindsey) over 3 years. Workign in partnership with the English federation for Disability Sport.

Club Link Maker (Satellite Clubs) - 1,243 participants (11- 18) in the Satellite programme over the last year with 40 clubs being set up.

Primary School Support - The annual conference is booked in with Bishop Grosseteste University on Tuesday 14 June 2016. The focus will be health and wellbeing along with the new sports strategy.

Sportivate - 1,556 young participants (14-25) over the last twelve months and out of these over 556 were inactive. The next round of funding aimed at women and girls projects we have 40 projects.

School Games - Winter Festival was successfully delivered. 24 trained university volunteers staffing the event in total of 102 young volunteers involved delivering the event.

Sports included Badminton, New Age Kurling, Goalball, Indoor Rowing and Swimming and 427 athletes took part on the day. There was girls (211) and boys (216) 43 with special educational needs and/or a disability.

Health

Attended a number of CCG 'Emerging Priorities' event, providing contribution from a stakeholder's perspective on cancer services in Lincolnshire. Macmillan have indicated that there is a strong possibility that the Get Active Feel Good (GAFG) programme will be supported for one final year from November 2016. This programme continues to develop – over 200 cancer sufferers have been supported since it started.

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