

COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING – 13 SEPTEMBER 2019

Statement from Councillor Mrs S Woolley, Executive Councillor for NHS Liaison and Community Engagement

NHS LIAISON

Lincolnshire Health & Wellbeing Board

After six years as Vice Chairman of the Lincolnshire Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB), Dr Sunil Hindocha stepped down from the Board in June. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Dr Hindocha for his support and dedication. He was instrumental in setting up the Shadow HWB in 2012 and took on the role of Vice Chairman in 2013 when the Board was formally established as a committee of the County Council. He not only committed a significant amount of time to the Board but has also been its champion, advocating the need for closer integration to deliver on our shared priorities to address the health and wellbeing issues facing Lincolnshire.

At the HWB's AGM meeting in June, Dr Kevin Hill, Chairman of South Lincolnshire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) was elected as Vice Chairman.

Delivering Lincolnshire's Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy

The HWB AGM meeting in June provided an opportunity to recognise and celebrate all the hard work that has been achieved over the past year. In particular, we acknowledged the progress being made to improve health and wellbeing in Lincolnshire through the delivery of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy (JHWS).

The Board agreed the seven priority areas in the JWHS in June 2018 and the [Annual Report 2018/19](#) provides an update from each of the priority delivery groups on their key achievements.

One You Lincolnshire – the new Integrated Lifestyle Service for the County

Cllr Bradwell has already made reference to One You Lincolnshire - our new Integrated Lifestyle Service that went live on 1 July 2019. This new multiple component service will form a key delivery strand for the obesity, physical activity, dementia, carers and mental health priorities in the JHWS, ensuring a timely lifestyle response to long term condition management.

Blueprint for Creating a More Active Lincolnshire

In May 2019, the Lincolnshire Physical Activity Taskforce (L-PAT) published the Blueprint for Creating a More Active Lincolnshire. L-PAT is leading the work to deliver the physical activity priority in the JHWS. The blueprint emphasises the numerous benefits of being more active. More than half of the children and adult populations in Lincolnshire are sufficiently active to take advantage of such benefits within their daily lives. However, nearly a third of the population undertake little or no activity, and this level of inactivity is increasing. L-PAT will now be developing the blueprint into a comprehensive 'Let's Move Lincolnshire' strategy which will be considered by the HWB Board at a future meeting.

Whole System Approach to Healthy Weight Partnership

As previously reported, healthy weight, one of the key priorities in the JHWS and a whole system healthy weight partnership has been established by the HWB to lead on this work area. On 5 June 2019, the Partnership held a workshop event, attended by over seventy delegates, to explore why healthy weight is important to Lincolnshire. I was pleased to open the workshop, which included presentations from Leeds Beckett University, North Kesteven District Council and Hertfordshire County Council. The scale of the issue was identified and delegates mapped the positive effects of healthy weight as well as causes and actions to tackle obesity. A follow up workshop is being planned for October that will review the mapping undertaken at the first workshop and start to develop priorities and actions to be taken forward by the partnership.

Following the workshop in July, I was invited to address the Local Government Association's Conference on a whole system approach to childhood obesity. Building on the work of our partners and other local authorities, I spoke about the challenge of identifying best practice and then applying that to a large rural county to ensure we are taking every opportunity to help Lincolnshire children and families to stay healthy. Lincolnshire was commended for its approach. Jim McManus, Vice President of the Association of Directors of Public Health, applauded our work saying that Lincolnshire's approach to partnership working and intelligent adaptation were his key learning points. Overall, it was a very successful conference and further evidence that Lincolnshire is playing a key role nationally in addressing some of our most pressing population health challenges.

United Lincolnshire Hospitals NHS Trust (ULHT)

ULHT has announced the appointment of Andrew Morgan as its new Chief Executive for an interim period. Andrew joined the Trust in his new role on 1 July 2019 for an interim period until March 2020; this follows the retirement of ULHT Chief Executive Jan Sobieraj at the end of June.

During his time with ULHT, Andrew has stepped down as Chief Executive of Lincolnshire Community Health Service. Maz Fosh has been appointed as the interim Chief Executive

Lincoln Food Partnership

I am pleased to report that the Lincoln Food Partnership, together with the Health Advancement Research Team (HART) at the University of Lincoln (UoL), has been awarded the University Vice Chancellor's Award for public engagement with research.

Originally a joint research proposal started in 2015 between the Public Health Division and the UoL to map a whole system approach to food, the Lincoln Food Partnership is a cross-sector group that promotes and works on the full range of food issues, including food poverty, sustainability and waste as well as healthy eating and weight. They are also a vital part of our healthy weight partnership which I mentioned earlier.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The Communities Team have been successful in achieving funding from the Illegal Money Lending Team (IMLT), to deliver a road show of events in seven identified areas,

(Grantham, Lincoln x2, Gainsborough, Boston, Holbeach, Skegness) bringing together the community sector, including churches, schools, town and parish councils and volunteer community groups with our partners, which will include Citizens Advice and the PCC. The project will 'join the dots' between professional practitioners and the groups that operate at the centre of our communities that those most vulnerable might be more willing to talk to or come into contact with.

The objective of the road shows will be to raise awareness about loan sharks amongst our community sectors and provide them with opportunities to network with framework organisations, such as Citizens Advice and the IMLT who can provide support with concerns regarding illegal money lending. The aim is to change the understanding of our grassroots community groups and arm them with the information they need to take action going forward when they come into contact with someone in need as well as spread the message further.

The events will last either a full morning or afternoon (3 hours) and will include a training session delivered by the IMLT about loan sharks and a presentation from Lincolnshire's Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner. Anyone wanting further information should contact the Communities team by emailing communitycollaboration@lincolnshire.gov.uk

Funding Portal

Quarter 1, 2019/2020

Officer Funding Advice & Support

During the period 1 April 2019 to 30 June 2019 the number of enquiries received and organisations supported were 25. The following statistics reflect the usage of the funding portal during the same period.

	April	May	June	TOTAL
Total number of visits this period:	1032	1095	1146	3273
Total number of unique users visiting the site:	243	213	234	690
New Local Users	39	37	41	117
Repeat Local Users	172	144	150	466
New External Users	5	7	7	19
Repeat External Users	27	25	29	81

LCC Awarded Silver Level Award for the Defence Employer Recognition Scheme

Following on from the previous council statement when I reported that LCC had been awarded the Bronze level award of the Defence Employer Recognition Scheme (ERS), I'm delighted to confirm that LCC has now been awarded the Silver level award.

The scheme encourages employers to support defence and the armed forces community and inspire others to do the same. The scheme encompasses bronze, silver and gold awards for employer organisations that pledge, demonstrate or advocate support to

defence and the armed forces community and align their values with the Armed Forces Covenant

As a Silver award holder, LCC has pledged to support the armed forces, including existing or prospective employees who are members of the community. We have signed the Armed Forces Covenant and promote being armed forces-friendly. We are open to employing reservists, armed forces veterans (including the wounded, injured and sick) and military spouses/partners.

Lincolnshire Armed Forces Covenant Conference

The Conference was held recently at RAF Coningsby with the overall aim to provide an update on the national picture of the Armed Forces Covenant and on other relevant topics. The Conference also provided an opportunity for attendees to find out more information from organisations who are involved including the RAF and Navy Families Federations, the Royal British Legion and the NHS mental health care for veterans.

There were presentations from a range of organisations including the view from Whitehall, from a member of the Armed Forces Covenant Team and UK Ministry of Defence as well as an update on the Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust and the upcoming changes to the funding streams.

The Regional Manager for the Defence Transition Service (DTS) spoke about the newly formed service which will deliver specialist support for serving personnel who are most likely to face challenges as they adjust to civilian life. Following on from this, the Policy Advisor (Education and Childcare) from the RAF Families Federation updated on some of the work that they had been involved in recently, including the Forces Families Jobs. This is an online jobs platform that links spouses and organisations that have signed the Armed Forces Covenant and those offering training, development and career related information. It will be a 'one stop shop' for spouses to access employment and training opportunities. The platform goes live in September and will include LCC advertised jobs.