

COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS

17 SEPTEMBER 2014

REPORT OF THE HEAD OF COMMUNITIES & NEIGHBOURHOODS

MELTONS DEMENTIA REPORT

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To inform members of the actions that have been delivered and future progress to be undertaken, following partnership with the Alzheimer's Society in 2013 and Melton Borough Council signing up to the Leicestershire Dementia Action Alliance in January 2014.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 Members to note past actions and approve the work to progress actions identified in Appendix A which will support the delivery of the principles contained in the National Dementia Action Alliance.

3.0 KEY ISSUES

3.1 Background

- 3.1.1 In Leicestershire and Rutland there are 126,200 people over the age of 65, of which 9,257 live in Melton. By 2020 Melton's population of individuals 65 and over is estimated to reach 12,200 by 2030 it is estimated to be 16,000. In Leicestershire it was estimated that 8,115 people were diagnosed with dementia in 2011, by 2025 it is predicted that will rise to 12,729 people diagnosed.¹
- 3.1.2 Melton Borough Council has been in partnership with the Alzheimer's Society since April 2013. Together we have delivered two dementia events, a number of dementia friend information sessions, raised awareness and supported carers. There is much more work to be taken forward with an increasing number of individuals living with dementia or taking care of someone who has been diagnosed.
- 3.1.3 In January 2014 Melton Borough Council sign up to the National Dementia Declaration and therefore became a part of the Leicestershire Dementia Action Alliance. This is made up of various organisations from across Leicestershire all with the same aim, to improve the lives of people living with dementia and their carers. The Leicestershire DAA approach is to have a strong coordinated approach is address the dementia challenge in Leicestershire and improve the lives of the individual living with dementia and their carer/s.
- 3.1.4 One of the aims of the local alliance is to identify 2 areas within the region who will aim to work towards becoming dementia friendly communities. Melton has not been one of those areas which has been selected however it does not mean that we cannot look to register. In the action plan appendix A, Melton Borough Council is looking to build a partnership of various different key organisations and agencies (carers, Age UK, Alzheimer's Society, GP, CCG, individual living with dementia) in order to have a strong group to take forward the criteria that is set out in the Dementia Friendly Communities guidance.

- 3.1.5 The action plan informed members of the previous work that has taken place and some of the actions that are will be happening. A short report has also been produced providing a little more details on what has been achieved and the future recommendations Melton Borough Council wishes to reach, appendix B.

4.0 POLICY AND CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The National Dementia Declaration statement relates to the Melton Corporate Plan. Some of the clear priorities that relate to this strategy are:

People

- Improving the well-being of vulnerable people
- Encouraging people to take an active role in their communities

Well Run Council

- To provide high performing services that are efficient and meet customers' needs

5.0 FINANCIAL AND OTHER RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 At this stage there are no financial resource implications as a direct result of this report. There would need to be a staff resource in order to attend the DAA meetings and implement the action plan. The action plan is a continually being added too and reflects the Leicestershire DAA aims. If a financial resource is required a report will be brought to the this committee for approval.

6.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS/POWERS

- 6.1 There are no other legal implications directly arising from this report.

7.0 COMMUNITY SAFETY

- 7.1 Individuals living with dementia and the carer can sometimes find themselves in vulnerable situations. The Leicestershire Police are a Leicestershire DAA member and Melton Borough Council will coordinate and share information with the Leicestershire Police in order to support those living with dementia, the carer and the wider community.

- 7.2 Links within the Corporate Plan and community safety have been identified in 2.3, 4.3 and 10.1.

8.0 EQUALITIES

- 8.1 No initial equalities issues have been identified.

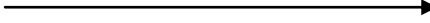
9.0 RISKS

- 9.1 The risks are considered in the table below

Probability



Very High A				
High B				
Significant C				
Low D				
Very Low E		II		
Almost Impossible F				
	IV Negligible	III Marginal	II Critical	I Catastrophic



Impact

Risk No.	Description
1	Actions are not approved
2	

10.0 CLIMATE CHANGE

10.1 There are no climate change issues directly arising from this report.

11.0 CONSULTATION

11.1 The declaration is in alignment with current policies and priorities:

- Melton’s Corporate Plan 2011 - 2015
- Melton Sustainable Community Strategy 2008 – 2013
- Leicestershire Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2013-2016
- Leicestershire Together Outcome Framework 2012 – 2013
- Department of Health, Improving care for people with dementia April 2013

12.0 WARDS AFFECTED

12.1 All wards affected.

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Appendices: Appendix A – Melton Borough Council Dementia Action Plan

Appendix B – Dementia report

Background Papers: None

Reference: X:\Cttee, Council & Sub Cttees\CSA\

ⁱ Source: <http://www.alzheimers.org.uk/site/index.php>