

Derby LINK Annual Report 2010-11

RECOMMENDATION

- 1.1 To consider and note Derby LINK's Annual Report 2010-11.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 2.1 Local Involvement Networks (LINKs) were established in 2008 to give local people greater role in influencing local services. They gather the views and experiences of people using health and social care services in their area and present these to health and care services to improve patient experience.
- 2.2 LINKs also have duty to publish their annual report which lists their activities during the year. The attached is the third annual report of Derby Link.
- 2.3 The Government is introducing legislation to expand the role of LINKs to become HealthWatches from October 2012. HealthWatches will have an important role in supporting people in the community particularly the vulnerable with information about health and care services. Specifically the HealthWatch will:
- ensure that the views and feedback from people who use services, carers and members of the public are integral to local commissioning
 - provide advocacy and support to people and help them to make choices about services
 - provide intelligence for HealthWatch England about the quality of providers

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Background papers: None
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Appendix 1

IMPLICATIONS

Financial and Value for Money

- 1.1 None arising directly from this report.

Legal

- 2.1 The Local Authority (Overview and Scrutiny Committees Health Scrutiny Functions) Regulations 2002 gives health scrutiny committees powers to review any matter relating to the planning, provision and operation of health services.

Personnel

- 3.1 None arising directly from this report.

Equalities Impact

- 4.1 Effective scrutiny benefits all Derby people.

Health and Safety

- 5.1 None arising directly from this report.

Environmental Sustainability

- 6.1 None arising directly from this report.

Asset Management

- 7.1 None arising directly from this report.

Risk Management

- 8.1 None arising directly from this report.

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

- 9.1 Our aim is to work together so that all people in Derby will enjoy Good health and well-being.