

DECISION-MAKER:	SCRUTINY INQUIRY PANEL- DEMENTIA FRIENDLY SOUTHAMPTON		
SUBJECT:	CONSULTATION FEEDBACK		
DATE OF DECISION:	29 OCTOBER 2015		
REPORT OF:	HEAD OF LEGAL AND DEMOCRATIC SERVICES		
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STATEMENT OF CONFIDENTIALITY			
None			
BRIEF SUMMARY			
<p>In recognition that an essential ingredient to becoming dementia friendly is shaping communities around the views of people with dementia and their carers, Appendix 1 to this report provides a brief summary of the key outcomes from a visit to the Memory Café at Medwall Court, Thornhill on 6th October 2015.</p> <p>In addition, learning from best practice identified at the inaugural meeting of the inquiry, and to ensure that momentum is maintained, it is recommended that steps are taken to commence the Dementia Friendly Communities application process for Southampton and to instigate a procurement process to engage an organisation to oversee and kickstart the drive to becoming dementia friendly.</p>			
RECOMMENDATIONS: That the Panel			
	(i)	Note the feedback received from the visit to Medwall Court on 6 th October and ensure that this information is taken into consideration during discussions with invited guests throughout the inquiry.	
	(ii)	Support the submission of an application to begin the process of being recognised as a dementia friendly community.	
	(iii)	Support the commencement of a procurement process, overseen by the Integrated Commissioning Unit (ICU), to appoint an organisation to oversee the process of making Southampton dementia friendly.	
REASONS FOR REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS			
1.	To ensure that the voice of people with dementia and their carers are at the heart of the process of creating dementia friendly communities.		
2.	Becoming a dementia-friendly community may take a number of years. The recommendations will help to ensure that the momentum and support for this initiative is effectively harnessed.		
ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED			
3.	To not engage with people with dementia. This was rejected because the voice of people with dementia should be at the heart of the process.		

4.	To not commence the application process or procurement process. This was rejected because best practice identified in the introductory meeting of the inquiry acknowledged that having a dedicated team to oversee and kick start the process was a key factor in the success achieved by a number of communities.
DETAIL (Including consultation carried out)	
5.	The report from the Alzheimer's Society, 'Building dementia-friendly communities: A priority for everyone', identifies that a key area communities working to become dementia friendly should focus on is the involvement of people with dementia to shape communities around the needs and aspirations of people living with dementia.
Memory Café – Medwall Court	
6.	In recognition of this Amanda Luker, Commissioner within the Integrated Commissioning Unit, and Mark Pirnie, Scrutiny Manager, attended a meeting of the Memory Café at Medwall Court to inform people with dementia about the inquiry and to encourage feedback about how dementia friendly Southampton is. Memory cafes are run by Admiral Nurses and supported by Carers in Southampton, they provide access to support and information in a sociable setting for people with dementia and their carers.
7.	The key issues raised at the 6 October 2015 session are attached as Appendix 1. The Panel will note that a number of the issues identified are to be considered at future meetings of the inquiry and should therefore be raised with invited guests when considering these subjects.
8.	On behalf of the Panel it is the intention of the Scrutiny Manager to seek to engage with people with dementia and their carers as widely as possible throughout this process. A commitment has been made to return to the Memory Café at Medwall Court in the new year to discuss the emerging inquiry recommendations to ensure that they reflect the needs of people with dementia and their carers.
Dementia Friendly Communities Application	
9.	It is recognised that becoming a dementia friendly community may take a number of years. The Panel indicated at the meeting on 24 th September 2015 that they were keen to make progress in making Southampton dementia friendly as opportunities arise, rather than waiting until the end of the process.
10.	Submitting an application now to be recognised as a dementia friendly community will enable us to formally start the journey and help make progress, and focus support, for making Southampton dementia friendly.
11.	Associated with this ambition is the recommendation that the ICU commence a procurement process to appoint an organisation that can lead the process of galvanising community support for dementia friendly Southampton. This reflects the evidence presented at the 1 st meeting of the inquiry that identified the value in having a dedicated team to oversee and kick start the process of becoming dementia friendly.
12.	The ICU have identified funding to support this process for a period of 1 year.
RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS	

<u>Capital/Revenue</u>	
13.	The Integrated Commissioning Unit has an identified budget for 2015/16 to support this recommendation.
<u>Property/Other</u>	
14	None
LEGAL IMPLICATIONS	
<u>Statutory power to undertake proposals in the report:</u>	
15.	The duty to undertake overview and scrutiny is set out in Part 1A Section 9 of the Local Government Act 2000.
<u>Other Legal Implications:</u>	
16.	None
POLICY FRAMEWORK IMPLICATIONS	
17.	The outcome of the scrutiny review may contribute to the following priorities within the Council Plan: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protecting vulnerable people • Prevention and early intervention • City Pride
KEY DECISION?	No
WARDS/COMMUNITIES AFFECTED:	None directly as a result of this report
<u>SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION</u>	
Appendices	
1.	Feedback from the visit to the Memory Café – Medwall Ct, Thornhill
Documents In Members' Rooms	
1.	None
Equality Impact Assessment	
Do the implications/subject of the report require an Equality and Safety Impact Assessments (ESIA) to be carried out.	No
Privacy Impact Assessment	
Do the implications/subject of the report require a Privacy Impact Assessment (PIA) to be carried out.	No
Other Background Documents	
Equality Impact Assessment and Other Background documents available for inspection at:	
Title of Background Paper(s)	Relevant Paragraph of the Access to Information Procedure Rules / Schedule 12A allowing document to be Exempt/Confidential (if applicable)
1.	