

## **CABINET MEMBERS REPORT TO COUNCIL**

**14 July 2022**

### **COUNCILLOR SAM SANDELL- CABINET MEMBER FOR PEOPLE AND COMMUNITIES**

For the period May 12<sup>TH</sup> – July 4<sup>th</sup> 2022

#### **1 Progress on Portfolio Matters.**

##### **Housing Figures**

Figures as follows -

Housing register

1350 live applications.

6 Emergency

196 High

396 Medium

752 Low

16 lets advised so far. Freebridge have lack of available properties.

235 new or change in circumstances received.

##### **Housing Options**

159 applicants given housing advice, of these 83 progressed into homeless declarations and/or are ongoing investigations.

##### **Night Shelter**

The Nightshelter closed at the end of June. The Nightshelter provides supported emergency accommodation to anyone rough sleeping or at risk of rough sleeping. The Council's Housing Options team have supported a number of people staying in the Nightshelter to find alternative accommodation. The Council will continue to provide support to anyone rough sleeping or at risk of rough sleeping to ensure that this is prevented. As set out in the Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy the Council's objective is to eradicate rough sleeping and prevent it from occurring. Where rough sleeping does occur we seek to act urgently to find an alternative, and to take actions to prevent it reoccurring. To achieve this, partnership working with all

of our partner organisations to provide wrap around support and to find long term sustainable solutions to end a persons rough sleeping continues to be a key area of our focus and critical in ensuring people are supported holistically to thrive.

### **Integrated Care System**

The new Integrated Care System has created a new structure for delivery of Health & Wellbeing across the county. The new Health and Wellbeing Partnership brings together colleagues from the county, borough, health services, wider and local VCSE sector organisations and other partners to make a positive impact on people's health and wellbeing in each place. The partnership collectively drives strategies and activities for their place in order to:-

- Promote health and wellbeing of residents
- Address the wider determinants of health
- Tackle health inequalities
- Develop and deploy support which prevents crises
- Align, develop and influence NHS and local government services and commissioning.

The Partnership has had its first formal meeting and agreed the following priorities, which are based on known health inequalities within West Norfolk.

- Mental Health
- Weight Management
- Alcohol Reduction

The partnership has a fund of £347,500.00 to commit to partners delivering projects around these key areas and supporting covid recovery. This fund has to be spent by 31 March 2023. The partnership has asked for Expressions of Interest for funding from relevant services and VCSE's and is in the process of determining which bids can be supported.

### **Community Alcohol Partnership (CAP)**

You will see from my meetings attended list, that Mark Whitmore MCIEH CEnvH (Assistant Director - Health, Wellbeing and Public Protection Borough Council of King's Lynn and West Norfolk) and myself were invited to the CAP awards at the House of Commons on 6<sup>th</sup> June 2022.

CAPs are schemes established and run by people from a variety of organisations within their communities including retailers to identify and tackle the problems associated with alcohol consumption by young people.

We didn't win any awards, but we did learn from our trip. As portfolio member and chair of the Integrated Care system, I want to work with CAP for one of the priorities with the ICS to tackle alcohol reduction.

## **2 Forthcoming Activities and Developments.**

### Active Clean Connectivity. (ACC)

I sit on the ACC board, we continue to meet on a regular basis. The Gyrotory strand of project has been moved to the Levelling up fund bid. This has now been approved by the KLTDB.

The Active travel hub was needed for Kings Lynn and will remain as part of the ACC project.

### **3 Meetings Attended and Meetings Scheduled**

May 12<sup>th</sup> Full Council

May 16<sup>th</sup> Jubilee Grant meeting

May 17<sup>th</sup> Cabinet Briefing

May 18<sup>th</sup> Active Clean Connectivity meeting (ACC)

May 20<sup>th</sup> Integrated Care Health and Well-being Board

May 23<sup>rd</sup> Portfolio Catch up

May 24<sup>th</sup> Cabinet Briefing

May 27<sup>th</sup> Visit to Burnham Market and Docking School jubilee Coins assembly

May 31<sup>st</sup> Cabinet Briefing

June 6<sup>th</sup> House of Commons Community Alcohol Partnership awards

June 8<sup>th</sup> Cabinet

June 14<sup>th</sup> Judging Teacher Awards

June 15<sup>th</sup> Introduction session with Service leadership

June 16<sup>th</sup> ACC

June 17<sup>th</sup> Integrated Care Board KLWNBC

June 21<sup>st</sup> Cabinet

June 24<sup>th</sup> Cabinet levelling up

June 28<sup>th</sup> Cabinet Briefing

June 29<sup>th</sup> Portfolio Catch up

July 4<sup>th</sup> Portfolio catch up