

North Tyneside Health & Wellbeing Board Report Date: 15 September 2016

ITEM 9

Title: ANEC Report:
Impact of an Ageing
Population

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1. Purpose:

The purpose of this report is to provide an introduction to a report produced by a task and finish group established by the Association of North East Councils (ANEC) in relation to the impact of an ageing population. It also invites the Board to give consideration as to how the Board and its partners might respond to the recommendations contained within the report.

2. Recommendation(s):

The Board is recommended to:

- a) give consideration to the findings and recommendations contained in the ANEC report; and
- b) determine what action, if any, should be taken by the Board, or any of the individual partner organisations represented on the Board, in response to the recommendations.

3. Policy Framework

The work of the ANEC Task and Finish Group was focussed on promoting a healthy old age and on tackling loneliness and isolation. This item therefore directly relates to the priorities contained within the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2013-18 concerned with improving healthy life expectancy. There are recommendations contained within the report with specific reference to the Health & Wellbeing Strategy.

4. Information:

A report produced by a task and finish group established by the Association of North East Councils in relation to the impact of an ageing population is attached as Appendix A.

The report sets out details of the projected demographic changes to occur over the next 20 years and considers the impact of the changes on public services, particularly those provided by local government. The group was asked to focus on two aspects that are regularly cited as being critical to the health and wellbeing of older people: promoting healthy age and tackling loneliness and isolation.

The chair of the task and finish group, Councillor John O'Shea, has agreed to attend this afternoon's meeting to present its findings and recommendations to the Board.

5. Decision options:

The Board may either:

- a) decide to take action in response to the recommendations; or
- b) note the report and not take any action.

6. Reasons for recommended option:

n/a

7. Appendices:

Appendix A

8. Contact officers:

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9. Background information:

The following background documents have been used in the compilation of this report and are available from the author:-

- ANEC Report on the Impact of an Ageing Population

COMPLIANCE WITH PRINCIPLES OF DECISION MAKING

10 Finance and other resources

Whilst there are no immediate financial implications in considering the ANEC report, the Board and its partners would have to give due consideration to any financial implications arising from any action proposed to be taken in response to the ANEC recommendations.

11 Legal

The ANEC report makes multiple references to Health & Wellbeing Boards in the context of their statutory duty to prepare a Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and a Joint Health & Wellbeing.

12 Consultation/community engagement

The ANEC task and finish group received evidence from a range of individuals and agencies as set out in its report.

13 Human rights

There are no human rights implications directly arising from this report.

14 Equalities and diversity

There are no immediate equalities and diversity implications in considering the ANEC report. However, the Board and its partners would have to give careful consideration to their public sector equality duty in undertaking any action in response to the report, for example in reviewing strategies or redesigning services.

15 Risk management

A risk assessment has not been undertaken in relation to this report.

16 Crime and disorder

The ANEC report refers to the fear of crime and anti-social behaviour as a barrier to participation for older people.

SIGN OFF

Director of Public Health

Chair/Deputy Chair of the Board

Chief Finance Officer

Head of Law & Governance