

Getting Buckinghamshire Involved in Health and Care Steering Group

Thursday 10 October 2019

Agenda Item	
1.	<p>Prevention Grant applications</p> <p>Graham White (BCC) provided an overview of the grant applications process, which goes live on 14 October. The aim of the grant is to help people to stay as independent as possible. The grant is targeted at over 18 year olds. Application forms and guidance are available on the BCC website. Applications are open from 14 October to 15 November and grants issued on 31 March 2020. The process will be monitored. Several workshops were held across Bucks to explain the applications process.</p> <p><i>Link to Prevention Grant</i> https://www.buckscc.gov.uk/services/community/helping-your-community/funding-for-your-community-organisation/community-prevention-grant-funding/</p>
2.	<p>Better Housing, Better Health (BHBH)</p> <p>Matt Neal (National Energy Foundation) spoke about the BHBH initiative, aimed at elevating fuel poverty and cold homes - to help vulnerable residents and so help reduce winter deaths. The services cover Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire. Single point of contact to access the services and direct referrals. Have a wider eligibility for the schemes now. The home prevention grants are supported by the CCGs.</p> <p>Currently not getting many referrals so would like messages about the scheme to go out. Exploring using social prescribers now. Looking to do staff training / educational events.</p>
3.	<p>Unitary plans</p> <p>A verbal update on Unitary plans was given - a brief overview of work programme being delivered by April 2020. The PMO Comms team promotes the work and keep staff/ stakeholders and residents informed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • December – April 2020 - planning a big campaign/launch for how people can access the new services. • Late October - will be launching a consultation, with all stakeholders, on proposed priorities and budget for the new Council (seeking views on high level aims). This will be an online survey. Will be doing some specific targeting to get responses from BME groups, Youth and South of the county as previously lacking these audiences. Library staff will be asked to help fill in the survey online where there is a need and print out hard copies. Would like to use as many channels as possible to cascade the consultation. <p>Draft budget will be taken to the Shadow Authority for approval. Survey will aid</p>

	Councillors / Members move forward. A smaller survey will go out later in February 2020.
4.	<p>Long Term Plan Engagement</p> <p>The Executive Summary of the Developing the BOB ICS Five Year Plan was shared. The group went through the plan and provided comments on some of the specific LTP areas. General point made was that nothing in the plan about transport - accessibility to transport. The timeline for writing the plan and feedback to BOB team is very tight. Any additional comments on the plan should be emailed to KP by 18 October.</p> <p>Action: All to look at the Long Term Plan Engagement and provide comment should they wish to by 18 October. Action 4</p>
5.	<p>Flu campaign</p> <p>The overall flu campaign plan with the group was shared with the group. The objectives, key messages, key channels and the reach targeted figures from last year and the national figures for this year were outlined and discussed. Some of the targets are quite challenging. Will be supporting the national campaign key messages around nasal spray, pregnant women, over 65s and Long Term Health Conditions. Evaluate the campaign each year to revise all comms.</p>
6.	<p>Anticoagulation Service</p> <p>A new Anticoagulation service was being procured as the old contract was coming to an end. Services are staying but require a new contract by 1 April 2020. Will be going out the tender October/November time. There should be no change on how patients receive their treatment, just maybe where. There will be a transition period to the new service. The Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) form has been brought to this group as it was felt that not enough patient input has taken place. The EIA will also be going to the Patient Experience Group and the Advisory Group.</p> <p>Comments made were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Disabilities people can access the service. Transport can be an issue • Helpful to have more detail about the new service – how and what.
7.	<p>Gluten Free</p> <p>An update on the Gluten Free Food Prescriptions consultation (Buckinghamshire CCG) was provided. The consultation is due to go live on 16 October and will be open for eight weeks. There was still time to comment on the Comms Plan and questionnaire.</p> <p>Comments/questions from the group were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do you think comment that GPs will discontinue the provision of service appears worrying? Ali replied we need to be really clear about what we are consulting about and why • Do food banks provide gluten free foods? • Make clear in the survey that gluten free food prescriptions are planning to stop but that there will be exemptions

8. **Any other business**

- **Surveys**

Talk Back asked if there was any support available to access software to run surveys.

A new engagement tool (software) has been purchased for the six IPC partnership to share.