DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL

REPORT TO: SOCIAL WORK AND HEALTH COMMITTEE - 14TH SEPTEMBER 2009

REPORT ON: TAYSIDE OLDER PEOPLES STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WORK

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1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to advise members of the committee of the implication for Dundee of NHS Tayside's Older People's Strategic Framework (the strategic framework). (A copy of the full report has been passed to each of the Group Leaders, Lord Provost and Depute Lord Provost).

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that committee;

- Note the terms and content of NHS Tayside Older People's Strategic Framework; and
- Instruct officers to continue to work with NHS Tayside to take forward the proposed improvements outlined in the strategic framework and summarised in paragraph 4.2 of this report.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no direct financial implications arising from this report. The strategic framework is linked to the strategies referred to in 4.4. The financial implications of these strategies have previously been reported to Committee.

4.0 MAIN TEXT

- 4.1 Tayside Older People's Strategic Framework sets a vision and direction for the future of services for older people in Tayside. Four strategic challenges are identified in the report.
 - "1 The increasingly ageing population, both absolutely and relatively who would need care and support.
 - 2 The need to focus care much more on the health and social care tasks relating to chronic and recurrent ill-health and dependency in older people, as opposed to the response to acute or crisis episodes of illness.
 - 3 Significant changes in the expectations of older people, and of those who will join them in the next two decades regarding the services that look after them.
 - 4 The need for the Health Board to work even more closely with Councils and other partners to take a rounded, integrated view of the needs and wishes of older people around their health, social functioning and participation along with their overall wellbeing." (Tayside Older People Strategic Framework, page 3)

- 4.2 The strategic framework was developed consultatively between May 2007 and *September* 2008. At the end of the process ten priority areas for improvement were identified and grouped into four themed areas. These are;
- 4.2.1 **Staying at home,** which includes keeping people healthier, social care and housing;
- 4.2.2 **Better experience of acute care,** which includes the management of admissions into acute hospital, re-focusing in-patient care and proactive management of discharge and onward care:
- 4.2.3 **Quality dementia care**, which includes raising awareness about dementia, early identification and intervention and support to those providing care for people with dementia; and
- 4.2.4 **Being part of the community,** which includes planning beyond care needs.
- 4.3 Arrangements have been put in place to take forward the improvements. There will be local development plans for the three areas of Tayside, so a development plan will be agreed for Dundee.
- 4.3.1 Twice yearly strategic review meetings will take place. These will assess Tayside wide progress and local area progress against a set of high level indicators. For some areas of improvement Tayside -wide development groups will be established. Representatives from Dundee will participate in the development groups and Dundee's progress will be assessed against the indicators.
- 4.4 The Strategic Framework was moderated by a panel of staff from each of the three local partnerships to ensure it would compliment local strategies. The most relevant local strategies are the Best Value Review of Older People (Committee Report 421-2008) and Dundee Older People Joint Strategy and Commissioning Framework 2008 2011 (Committee Report 415 2008). The strategic challenges and improvement areas are consistent with the direction set out in these documents.

5.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

This Report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of Sustainability, Strategic Environmental Assessment, Anti-Poverty, Equality Impact Assessment and Risk Management.

There are no major issues.

6.0 CONSULTATIONS

The Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive (Support Services), Depute Chief Executive (Finance) and Head of Finance have been consulted in preparation of this report.

7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

None.

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