

## Test Valley LSP

### HEALTH & WELLBEING GROUP

30 January 2007,

2.30.-4.30pm

Council Chambers, Duttons Road, Romsey

#### Present

Derek Overfield  
Marion Woods  
Cllr Sandra Hawkes  
Cllr Sally Leach  
Louisa Rice  
Monica Lanagan  
Rob Carroll

Verna Brown  
Janet Blann  
Cllr Dorothy Baverstock  
Dr Sue Tippett  
Anne Meader  
Debbie Voller

#### Apologies

Debra Ramchurn  
Charlotte Malyon  
Dawn Elson  
Jean Lannie  
Jill Bentall

Derek opened the meeting and welcomed Councillor Sally Leach to the Group.

#### Minutes of the Last Meeting

These were agreed by the group.

#### Romsey Birthing Centre

The Romsey Birthing centre closed on 27<sup>th</sup> December with the last delivery on 19<sup>th</sup> November, the Centre was underused and there were funding and staffing issues.

Local GP's have drawn up a Service Specification for what they feel is needed in relation to local maternity services. If this survey shows enough evidence of local need it will be put to the PCT.

A new Midwife led maternity unit will be at Ashurst but this has not yet been built.

Options for Romsey based mother and baby units are to go to Winchester or Southampton.

There is a demand for the space for building at Romsey Hospital and plans are being discussed for an assessment Centre which could be used as One Stop Elderly Care Day Unit; Preop assessments; straight forward day care procedures.

Outstanding issues with Highways for the use of the centre remain a problem

## Andover War Memorial Hospital – Chris Evernet, Winchester & Eastleigh Healthcare NHSTrust

Chris gave an update on the position with the Andover War Memorial Hospital.

The birthing centre is being assessed as to how it could be run more cost effectively. Presently, there is a fixed number of staff and it is expensive to run.

Smaller units need staff who have been trained within larger units to ensure safety and expertise.

Some beds in wards have been cut (9 to 6 and there could possibly be more cuts) and some departments are not fully used.

Referral patterns are being looked at i.e. Outpatients/ One stop shop.

The day surgery unit at Winchester Hospital is used by Andover residents (approx 200 per month) and there is an issue with travelling to and from the hospital especially as some patients need to be at the hospital by 7.30am.

Chris informed the group that updates on the Andover Hospital will be given on a 6 monthly basis and any feedback would be useful.

### Community Plan

This was discussed at the last meeting but further discussion was needed.

Copies of 'Test Valley Sustainable Community Strategy' highlights: were tabled. This document

- The aim of the Group: 'Health & Wellbeing for all the Community'
- Situation in Test Valley now.
- How will progress be measured?
- How will we know there has been some improvement: Outcomes

There was some discussion within the group about the accuracy of using hospital admissions to give indicators i.e. Alcohol related illnesses may not be recorded directly as alcohol abuse.

Rob will advise the group of current drink driving figures for the area. **Action – Rob**

It was reported that there is very little provision/opportunities for alcohol related problems in the Southern Test Valley area.

Feedback from the group on the document was positive but it was thought that a glossary at the back would be useful. **Action – Verna/Marion**

It was also suggested that more items on wellbeing should be included as it seemed to be mainly health related.

Screening Chlamydia was not considered to be something that should be undertaken.

the Health & Wellbeing Group

Much of the work is closely linked with Leisure, Housing and stressed that as the group have no budget, work which is suggested by the Group.

and Community Work and it was also stated to be undertaken can only be

### **Suggested pattern of work schedule for Group**

Verna and Rob have worked on a template which was stable and asked to look at the template and give feedback.

at the meeting. The group were

Rob reported that the Teenage Pregnancy Partnership will target young men who are most likely to need them in a fun environment.

reproviding a weekend centre which is to help, this is aimed to educate them

Teenage pregnancy figures are available from schools although there is reluctance to provide them.

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Please report any further feedback direct to Verna,

[vbrown@testvalley.gov.uk](mailto:vbrown@testvalley.gov.uk) **Action – All**

### **Any other Business**

#### **TAP Update**

It is now 2 years since the initial PNA work was carried out on track with the 15 objectives that were set.

in the Alamein Ward, work is fairly

The network lunches are still proving to be popular and are presently in the planning process.

The Atholl Court shop is still in progress

HCC have been supportive with the extension to King Arthur's Way at the next Network lunch on 8<sup>th</sup> February.

thurs Way Hall – Plans will be on

A public meeting is due on 6<sup>th</sup> March which will ensure the project is acting on what the local community actually want.

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the local

The Community Day which was held in the King Arthur's Way was a success with more than 100 attendees during the day.

Way Hall on 9<sup>th</sup> December was a

### **Date of next meeting**

**26<sup>th</sup> March 2.30pm – 4.30pm at Andover War Memorial Ho**  
**(Please note that parking is available but normal**

**spital, Conference Room.**  
**visiting charges will apply)**

