

**Shropshire Partnership Standing Conference**  
**Healthy Lives, Healthy People**  
**Health and Wellbeing Stakeholder Alliance Launch**

**Flipchart comments/ questions and answers**

<i>Comments/Questions</i>	<i>Response</i>
Where is the money coming from for prevention, when we are told 'there is no new money available'?	The challenge now and in the future is to use the resources we have in different and better ways. So this might mean creating savings elsewhere to invest in prevention.
Please ensure that the Adult Autism Strategy Implementation is included in the JSNA. (Prevalence figures may have to be used) e.g. 1745 people in Shropshire with an autistic spectrum condition and support needs to be improved.	Yes, this will be included in the JSNA as will other strategies and surveys as new information becomes available.
What has happened to the Shropshire Physical Activity Alliance – Energise?	Energise – the County Sports Partnership still exists visit <a href="http://www.shropshiretelfordwrekinsportspartnership.org.uk">www.shropshiretelfordwrekinsportspartnership.org.uk</a> Shropshire Physical Activity Alliance is a partnership between the County Sports Partnership and the Primary Care Trust. More information is available on the County Sports Partnership website above.

<p>How will 'physical activity' be coordinated in the future under the Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board?</p>	<p>The importance of physical activity will be recognised in the Health and Wellbeing Strategy which will inform service provision and delivery.</p>
<p>What is the definition of 'ensure a healthy standard for living for all'? Some Local Authorities are charging top up costs for care services. Whilst this is legal it actually could prevent some people having a 'healthy standard of living' and this is morally wrong (sharp practice).</p>	<p>We are not sure we completely understand the question and would welcome a further discussion on this. The person submitting this point should contact Carolyn Healy on 01743 252248 or <a href="mailto:Carolyn.healy@shropshire.gov.uk">Carolyn.healy@shropshire.gov.uk</a></p>
<p>Concerns about elderly care – bearing in mind we are already an older population and ageing.</p>	<p>Shropshire's ageing population and the implications for health and wellbeing services is being considered now and will continue to be a key priority. Our focus is on how we can ensure people 'age well' so that they remain independent and active for as long as possible.</p>
<p>While I applaud Rod Thompson's call for more information from 'Stakeholders' in the community, but he could 'sink' under all the information and unless there is a commitment to how this will be used? And that us stakeholders will be able to genuinely influence the way decisions are made in prioritising use of new resources but more importantly existing resources. It's just raising expectations for no outcome/ change.</p>	<p>We recognise that at least initially, a lot of new information may come forward and extra effort will need to be made to pull all of that together. This will be done through the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment, which will provide the evidence for decision making. The Stakeholder alliance will allow stakeholders to influence decision making.</p>

<p>Why has the VCS Assembly not got a place on the Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board?</p>	<p>The Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board is made up of the core membership as recommended in the original Government Guidance. The Board agreed to review membership once further work had been done on stakeholder engagement. The review will be in March.</p>
<p>Are Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board meetings held in public?</p>	<p>Yes. Like any committee of Council, the Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board can be attended by members of the public and minutes and reports are published on the council website.</p>
<p>What is the place of Domestic Abuse in the work of improving ill health? This is a key area of impact both on the victim and any children in a family.</p>	<p>Domestic Abuse can be psychological, physical, sexual, financial or emotional and profoundly affects the health and wellbeing of the victims, their children and families. Partners work together to tackle domestic abuse, providing specialist support, including emotional support, listening support and advice, group work, including raising awareness of the issues and confidence building for victims and counselling services, financial advice and support, housing support. The research clearly reveals that no one single agency can tackle domestic abuse and so a coordinated and integrated response to the needs of victims is crucial. Agencies work in partnership to improve ill health as a result of domestic abuse, that is why community health, maternity, A &amp; E and mental health services and indeed substance misuse services are represented on MARAC and are represented at the DV forums.</p>
<p>We are concerned about lack of proposals to involve the Shropshire Association of Local Councils on the Health and Wellbeing Board. Parish and Town Councils are <u>not</u> part of the Voluntary Sector. They are statutory elected bodies which are part of local government. A significant number of their priorities already impact on Health and Wellbeing – this will increase with neighbourhood planning and a new power of wellbeing.</p>	<p>The Stakeholder Alliance is wider than the Voluntary Community Sector and is intended to engage with a broad range of groups and organisations including SALC which will influence the Board in its decision making.</p>

<p>Joined up commissioning is <u>not</u> happening at a local community organisation level across boundaries. As a result what one commissioner does can destabilise organisations that provide local services across the county.</p>	<p>The Council, PCT and Clinical Commissioning Group are working with neighbouring areas within the West Mercia sub region, Staffordshire, Cheshire and Wales to address this issue.</p> <p>The creation of a Health and Wellbeing Board and the development of a Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy will lead to a more joined up approach to commissioning within the county.</p>
<p>Outpatient appointments/ treatment etc. Way of co-ordination clinic/treatment appointments at hospitals to 'cluster' geographic appointment.</p>	<p>We would be grateful if the person making this comment contacted us so we can fully understand the issue. The person submitting this point should contact Carolyn Healy on 01743 252248 or <a href="mailto:Carolyn.healy@shropshire.gov.uk">Carolyn.healy@shropshire.gov.uk</a></p>
<p>Where is the provision of care at home for the elderly particularly towards the end of life?</p>	<p>End of life care at home is priority to the PCT and services are available to support people to die in their place of choice. We would like to hear about examples of where this hasn't happened so that improvements can be made.</p>
<p>Will the 'Every Child Matters' outcomes groups (if they still exist) link into the work of the Health and Wellbeing Board?</p>	<p>Current government policy does not use the terminology of Every Child Matters. However, the outcomes ECM embraces are entirely consistent with the Marmot recommendations, so the answer is emphatically, yes!</p>
<p>Who sits on the Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board?</p>	<p>See minutes published for Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board on Shropshire Council Website.  <a href="http://shropsdemserv.web.coop/live/dynamic/DemServGroup.asp?group_id=749491BA-4390-4F1D-93BE-A75FE3E646B6&amp;id=61">http://shropsdemserv.web.coop/live/dynamic/DemServGroup.asp?group_id=749491BA-4390-4F1D-93BE-A75FE3E646B6&amp;id=61</a>  If the above link does not work go to <a href="http://www.shropshire.gov.uk">www.shropshire.gov.uk</a> , click on the Council and Democracy link on the left hand navigation list, and then click on Committees and Meetings.  A more direct link to the Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board minutes will be placed on the virtual alliance website which we hope to have up and running very soon.</p>

<p>Why does the VCS Assembly <u>not</u> have a seat?</p>	<p>Please see previous VCSA question and answer.</p>
<p>Why is communication so poor? Website is not kept updated.</p>	<p>It is not clear which website the question refers to. The Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board minutes and reports are kept up to date on Shropshire Councils webpages. See above.</p>
<p>I am pleased to see priority given to early start in life and the vital importance of education as a 'vehicle' for life long change. A specific group that needs continuing support are <u>looked after children</u> and it is important that a multi-agency approach is continued in promoting educational attainment health and mental health wellbeing, stability in living and general enjoyment.</p>	<p>Thank you for this comment. It is intended that a more integrated and multi-agency approach be adopted to provide support and other services across of range of issues and customer groups including looked after children.</p>
<p>Suggestions for sub groups to feed information to the Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Help to quit</li> <li>- Help to slim</li> <li>- Obesity</li> <li>- Alcohol</li> <li>- Screening</li> <li>- Working for child protection</li> </ul>	<p>Thank you for these suggestions. A number of these issues will be the focus of further in depth workshop events and task and finish groups. The stakeholder virtual network will also be a place that these issues can be discussed and information shared.</p>
<p>Specific/variable need to be taken into account not just location and social demographic</p>	<p>This comment will be passed on to staff collating the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment.</p>

<p>What is mechanism for improving knowledge of communities?</p>	<p>The JSNA will be web based, eventually allowing communities to drill down information for their area. We are also looking at linking health and wellbeing information to Place Plans or Parish Plans.</p>
<p>How is partnership going to maintain network of organisations who are advocates of patients with mental health issues and ensure patient have timely access to services?</p>	<p>The Government proposals for the patient voice to be championed by a new organisation called Health Watch will ensure that advocates of patients with mental health issues have opportunities to express concerns and inform service delivery. Additionally, the Voluntary Sector Assembly and the Stakeholder Alliance feeding into the Shadow Health and Well-being Board will provide additional mechanisms.</p>
<p>Is this community going to work with Telford?</p>	<p>Yes whenever possible we do work with Telford.</p>
<p>Maximise current vehicles like VCSA as conduit for collating needs and improving commissioning.</p>	<p>Thank you for this comment, it has been noted.</p>
<p>How will priorities be set when balancing preventative measures 'v' maintenance of current needs including those with ill health from birth?</p>	<p>This is always a challenge and there is recognition that preventing ill health is extremely important but that this is not at the expense of treating people who are ill. The Government is planning a ring fenced budget for Public Health which will secure spending on ill health prevention. At the same time, the Long Term Condition Strategy will ensure that the right care is provided for those who need it.</p>
<p>Will the partnership look at a 'common sense' approach to boundaries and where patients go?</p>	<p>Comment noted.</p>