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WVSDA Briefing from the 26 Oct 2010 meeting of the

Wandsworth Local Strategic Partnership

Budget update

A budget update was given by the Council, stating that an estimated £55 million would need to be cut from the Council budget over the next 5 years. Savings on this scale will result in major changes to services and every service will be reviewed. For those services that the Council will be delivering, different models for delivery will be considered, including outsourcing and making use of volunteers.

The Council remains committed to low Council tax. A further update will be provided at the next LSP meeting as more information should be available then.

LINK update

The LINK briefed the LSP about its current work, including

- better engagement of local people in Public Patient Involvement structures
- hospital discharge procedures
- transformation of social care
- undertaking and responding to consultations

St George's Hospital update

St George's gave an overview of its values and priorities and outlined progress towards becoming a Foundation Trust by 2011 as well as its integration with Community Services Wandsworth. St George's approach to sustainability includes the ability to generate its own supply of electricity.

NHS White Paper

The changes to the NHS outlined in the white paper will see increased joint working between health and local authorities. NHS Wandsworth and Wandsworth Council are already working together on joint commissioning and strategic planning in some areas. Future work will entail aligning priorities and ensure that work is responsive to local needs - health care will be brought closer to communities.

The local Health and Well-being Board will have Wandsworth Council, GPs and the PCT as partners. The structure of local boards has not been set nationally, which means that there will be some flexibility regarding additional members and make-up. WVSDA raised the point that voluntary and community sector representation would be desirable.

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The next three years will be challenging as NHS Wandsworth will be downsizing and making savings of more than £50 million. At the same time, GP consortia will develop to take over commissioning. GPs are currently organised into three areas, but there will likely only be one commissioning body which will correspond to the Borough boundaries.

Joint Strategic Needs Assessment

The Joint Director of Public Health updated the LSP about the outcomes of the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment for 2010. The JSNA is intended to give an overall picture of health and needs in the borough and will be used to shape public services and to identify priorities. Some of the findings from 2010 include:

- Every year there is a 30% turnover of the population in Wandsworth.
- Wandsworth has a higher under 75 mortality rate from cancer than elsewhere in London and England.
- Health inequalities between areas inside the borough remain stark – a boy born in Latchmere is expected to live for 72 years, 8 year less than a boy born in Thamesfield.
- Mental health admissions are disproportionately higher among Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic Groups.

Adult Social Services – Personalisation update

The Director of Adult Social Services outlined progress towards implementing Personalisation. The immediate focus is to implement systems for assessment and allocation of Personal Budgets. Priorities for the end of the year and beginning of 2011 also include:

- 30% of users with self-directed support.
- Embedding systems and culture.
- Engaging with providers and the voluntary sector.

Town Partnerships

The Economic Development Office (Wandsworth Council) updated the LSP about the work of the Town Centre Partnerships and the planned new structures that will replace the regional development agencies.



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The full agenda papers from this meeting can be downloaded from Wandsworth Council's website at www.wandsworth.gov.uk/moderngov/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=373&MId=3389&Ver=4

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