

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
INDIVIDUALS OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY SUB-COMMITTEE
Town Hall, Main Road, Romford
9 March 2021 (7.00 - 8.10 pm)**

Present:

Councillors Nic Dodin, Denis O'Flynn, Christine Smith (Chairman), Ciaran White, Linda Van den Hende, Michael White (Vice-Chair), David Durant and Jan Sargent

No apologies were received.

Cllr Michael White declared a non-pecuniary interest as an Executive Ambassador of Tu Vida, which is reported on as part of item 8.

10 PROTOCOL FOR VIRTUAL MEETING

The Committee noted the report.

11 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 26th November 2020 were agreed as a correct record and would be signed by the Chair at a later date.

12 QUARTER 3 PERFORMANCE REPORT

The item presented to the Committee gave details on the performance of the indicators in quarter 3.

Members noted that as at the end of 2020 both indicators were green. It was noted that a third of service users received direct payments, with 301 per 100,000 service users being permanently admitted to residential and nursing care homes with the majority of services users being over the age of 75. The Committee questioned whether direct payments were included in the financial criteria for Personal Independence Payment and Barbara agreed to check this. Officers explained the best way for residents to refer themselves or someone they know to the services is to go through the Havering website.

It was agreed that Members would provide feedback regarding the indicators set out in the report to the Chairman of the Committee.

The Committee **noted** the report.

13 **UPDATE ON ADULT DAY CENTRES**

The report put before the Committee gave an update on how adult day centres coped during the COVID-19 lockdowns.

It was explained by officers that the centres adapted very well to the lockdowns even when staff were redeployed to other services. Members noted that the centres safely re-opened with staff tested twice weekly and a limited number of users allowed back into the centres. Members were pleased to note that online sessions had taken place during the lockdowns with which the users received well and enjoyed providing positive feedback. It was noted by members that no additional IT support was required from the centres users but IT provisions were available if they were needed. Officers explained that around 10% of the users were shielders and centres had produced detailed plans for re-opening centres in line with the central government's COVID-19 roadmap.

The Committee **noted** the report.

14 **UPDATE ON HOSPITAL DISCHARGES**

The Committee received an update on hospital admissions during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Committee members noted that Havering had implemented assessments being undertaken in community settings earlier than was planned with designated settings for COVID positive residents. Members were pleased to note that discharge pathways had been revised to reduce delays with the service moving to a 7 day working week. Officers explained that there had been delays with equipment during the weekends and contacting ward staff. Members noted that there were 40 different pathways for discharges from hospital.

The Committee **noted** the report.

Chairman