

Doncaster Health and Wellbeing Board

Date: 11th March 2021

Subject: Carers Update

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Purpose of bringing this report to the Board – To strengthen our system wide support for family carers through partnership		
Decision		
Recommendation to Full Council		
Endorsement	Yes	
Information	Yes	

Implications		Applicable Yes/No
DHWB Strategy Areas of Focus	Substance Misuse (Drugs and Alcohol)	Yes
	Mental Health	Yes
	Dementia	Yes
	Obesity	Yes
	Children and Families	Yes
Joint Strategic Needs Assessment		Yes
Finance		No
Legal		No
Equalities		Yes
Other Implications (please list)		

How will this contribute to improving health and wellbeing in Doncaster?

By improving the reach to family carers in Doncaster whose health is seriously impacted as a result of caring for one or more family members, brought yet further into focus as a result of Covid. Informing carers about specific services or information on offer to them through the members respective areas can ensure carers are linked into vital support, which can significantly improve carer's health and wellbeing, reducing health inequalities across the borough. Family carer's are vital to the people they care for but also vital to demand management within our health and social care system.

Recommendations

The Board is asked to give consideration to the following:-

- To consider and discuss what could be done through each of the members respective areas to provide good information for family carers (e.g. update websites with the suite of carer information)
- What could the members do to identify and ensure carers are supported well in their respective areas? (What are you mandated to do that needs improvement?)
- What actions can members commit to during the meeting to support the above?
- Could all members show their commitment to the Doncaster Carers Charter- by completing a virtual sign up to it, and promoting the fact in member's respective areas?