

## Scrutiny Review Group – Dementia Services

### REPORT TO EXECUTIVE



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### PURPOSE

1. To update the Executive on the work of the Scrutiny Working Group which has been investigating whether there were any additional practical ways in which Burnley Council can support provision of Dementia Services in Burnley.

### RECOMMENDATION

2. That the Council continues to support the roll out of the Herbert Protocol through the Policy & Engagement Team, developing further opportunities for partnership working to maximise take up across the Borough.

### REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

3. The Herbert Protocol is a risk reduction tool to be used in the search for a missing person – a large number of whom are people living with dementia. The document is used by search teams to pinpoint likely areas for investigation, and maximise the chances of finding the missing person quickly and alive.

### SUMMARY OF KEY POINTS

4. The Scrutiny Review Group was formed with the remit of looking at the range of services available for Dementia patients in the Burnley area. It quickly became apparent that the scope was very broad, and the group focussed on the 'Herbert Protocol' after a presentation from the Alzheimer's Society.
5. There are currently over 1200 people living with a diagnosis of Alzheimer's or dementia related illness in Burnley.
6. Inspector Duncan Arthur gave a detailed briefing on the Herbert Protocol to Review Group Members. He outlined its usefulness in a search, and how the information is used to highlight likely search areas, thus reducing the search time and increasing the likelihood of a positive outcome.
7. The form requests information such as personal details, appearance, location of family and friends, favourite places, address history, access to modes of transport and other information to assist in assessing where they may have travelled to. A copy is attached at Appendix 1.
8. Family/carers complete the Herbert Protocol form, and then keep the form until required, when it is passed to the Police, and handed back at the conclusion of the search. This

means that there are no additional data protection implications.

9. The Council already promotes Dementia Friendly Burnley – all staff have been offered Dementia Friends training, the Council provides support to the Burnley Dementia Action Alliance, promotion of events and activities (including the Herbert Protocol) via Colleague Conferences and the intranet. The recent renovation works at Thompson Park included Dementia Friendly refurbishment of the café area.
10. The Police Communications Team may be able to supply posters which could be displayed in Council noticeboards and shared with Partners. The Police would also be happy to consider joint communications with the Council to be shared with local press organisations to support the publicity campaign.

#### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS AND BUDGET PROVISION**

11. None

#### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

12. This supports the Council's priority on creating flourishing, healthy and confident communities.

#### **DETAILS OF CONSULTATION**

13. As set out in the report

#### **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

14. None

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

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