April update to LMPC

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Mental Capacity Act

Steve was delighted to speak at the celebration of the Mental Capacity Act on the 2nd April. My theme was "We live in a world that is obsessed with perfection, but perhaps have never been so broken". I am so grateful for the knowledge, skills and compassion shown by so many of these professionals.

DIPPS Partnership

Some days being a Councillor is so rewarding. Our new DIPPs partnership supports groups to work together to fulfil everyone's mission benefits all. This partnership is testament to the power of communities working together and fits beautifully within the principles of the Council's 'Communities for All' work. These brilliant organisations are making such a significant difference in the lives of Dorset residents, helping them stay independent and in control of the things that happen to them.

They include The You Trust, The Lantern Trust and Hope House Wellbeing Centre, Volunteer Centre Dorset, Shelter and Help and Kindness. The DIPPs partnership offers:

Practical Help:

Assistance with shopping, collecting prescriptions, pet care, gardening, domestic tasks, driving to appointments, basic odd jobs, moving furniture, and meal preparation.

Companionship:

Befriending services, companionship for social activities, and respite services for caregivers.

Complex Needs Support:

Benefits and debt advice, housing support, education and employment assistance, and help with physical and emotional wellbeing.

Health and Wellbeing Board & FutureCare

The recent Health and Wellbeing Board heard a number of reports demonstrating how our services are working together for the same mission, with Dorset's Place Based partnership ambitions fitting with the NHS's Integrated neighbourhood Teams and the Better Care Fund outcomes. We also had our first report from the FutureCare programme that we commissioned back in August. This is already seeing positive outcomes but anticipates that across BCP and Dorset over the coming two years;

- 27,000 NHS bed days will be released through people coming out of hospital as soon as they are ready and not having to wait in hospital longer than necessary.
- 570 more people every year supported to recover at home
- 420,000 fewer hours of homecare needed and,
- 50 fewer people every year needing to start long term residential care.

Community and Council engagement

The Wellbeing Hub just opened in Lytchett Matravers is part of a Health Programme called Access Wellbeing. The Programme is in partnership with the council but is managed by Dorset Healthcare. There is a link below to more detail about the hubs.

Access Wellbeing

https://dorsetaccesswellbeing.co.uk/community_drop_in_spaces/

Integrated Neighbourhoods and Thriving Communities

There will be an opportunity to find out more about how the new NHS Integrated Neighbourhoods and the Dorset Thriving Communities programmes will be starting to work at an event on the 22nd April at drop in event at the Hamworthy Club, Magna Rd, Canford Magna BH21 3AP. We will be discussing the important role of the voluntary, community, and social enterprises (VCSE) partners in transforming health and care. This in-person gathering will feature engaging discussions, interactive sessions, and networking opportunities.

Date: 22nd April 2025

Local Surgeries

We continue to hold regular surgeries every first Saturday of the month. We are currently supporting residents within this ward on issues including SEND provision, Disability support and tenancy issues, amongst others.