**Wirral Older People’s Parliament**

**10-12 Bentinck Street**

**Birkenhead**

**CH41 4DY**

**Health and Social Care Meeting**

**10th July 2020**

**2-4pm**

**Venue: zoom**

**Apologies:** Winnie Cooke, Bernd Heerwagen, Jack Cuffe, Philip Barton

Present:

Sandy Cameron

Garrick Prayogg

Rose Leckey

Carl Leckey

Graham Mountfield

Pat Mountfield

Julie Kay (admin and chair)

Anna Barnish (Citizen’s Advice Social Prescribing)

Terry Sullivan

Previous minutes agreed

Chair- action log for June completed

Guest speaker Anna Barnish

Gave a social prescribing presentation ( emailed to all members)

* Non clinical service referrals
* Non medical interventions
* Research has shown that this results in reduced GP and A+E visits by patients
* Improving social situations improves health

Chair asked for acronym clarification for presentation

Acronyms in presentation for information :

ABL - A Better Life (Stop Smoking Service)

WMO - Wirral Multicultural Organisation

EMIS - the system that Primary Care use to record patient treatment

PCN - Primary Care Network

SP/SPLW - Social Prescriber/Social Prescribing Link Worker

DSC - Department of social care

TS- how is monitoring and targets administered?

Anna- one at the start and one at the end, and then 10-12 months after interventions to see if it has been sustainable.

SC- a lot of work has been done in West Wirral what about other areas?

Anna- East Wirral has had a lot of COPD referrals. Health Coaches will be coming on board in the next few months.

Chair thanked Anna for her time and presentation.

**AOB**

Members want to know how many of the 800 interactions in Wirral have been with older people? JK to find out

BK- concerned about the statistics given e.g 61% were improved by the programme but 61% of 100 people is not the same as 61% of the 800. Show different impacts on lives.

SC- commented that the Globe are also doing this misleading with mixing stats and numbers.

CL- very concerned about adverts on the TV by charities asking for money. A lot of elderly people are giving money to these charities without being aware of where the money is going. E.g. RNLI CEO is on £160000 a year. Water Aid showing starving children walking across the desert, is this true?

Chair- what would you like us to do if anything? Produce a leaflet for older people warning them?

CL- yes that would be useful. JK to create a leaflet.

BK- personal issue with specsavers and hearing tests. Wanting to know if anyone else has similar experiences?

RL- concerned that shielding letters have been addressed to her and not Carl who is the disabled person. Concerned about dementia assessments not being carried out- sister told by GP’s that they re not doing them.

BK- very concerned about the deterioration of older people being in isolation, has seen a very visible difference in his 90 year old neighbour.

**Next meeting Friday 14th August 2020. 2-4pm zoom**