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**HEALTH AND WELLBEING SCRUTINY
COMMITTEE**

18 November 2019

Dear Councillor

A Meeting of the Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee will be held in **Committee Room 1, Marmion House, Lichfield Street, Tamworth, B79 7BZ on Tuesday, 26th November, 2019 at 6.00 pm.** Members of the Committee are requested to attend.

Yours faithfully

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Chief Executive

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NON CONFIDENTIAL

- 1 Apologies for Absence**
- 2 Minutes of the Previous Meeting (Pages 5 - 12)**
- 3 Declarations of Interest**

To receive any declarations of Members' interests (personal and/or personal and prejudicial) in any matters which are to be considered at this meeting.

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4 Safeguarding Children and Adults at Risk of Abuse Report (Pages 13 - 22)

(Report of the Portfolio Holder for Regulatory and Community Safety)

5 Update from the Chair

To receive an update from the Chair

6 Responses to Reports of the Health & Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee

(Update on responses to the Reports of the Health & Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee)

7 Update on health related matters considered by Staffordshire County Council (Pages 23 - 24)

(To receive the Healthy Staffordshire Select Committee – District Borough Update and to receive an update from County Councillor T Clements)

8 Forward Plan

Please see the link to the Forward Plan:

<http://democracy.tamworth.gov.uk/mgListPlans.aspx?RPId=120&RD=0&bcr=1>

9 Health & Wellbeing Scrutiny Work Plan - 2019/2020 (Pages 25 - 26)

To consider items for 2019/2020 Health & Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee Work Plan

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To Councillors: R Ford, R Claymore, D Box, P Brindley, M J Greatorex, K Norchi, M Oates, R Rogers, J Faulkner and County Councillor T Clements

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**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
HEALTH AND WELLBEING SCRUTINY
COMMITTEE
HELD ON 15th OCTOBER 2019**

PRESENT: Councillor R Ford (Chair), Councillors M Bailey, D Box, P Brindley, R Claymore, K Norchi, M Oates, R Rogers and P Standen

County Councillor County Councillor T Clements

The following officers were present: Tina Mustafa (Assistant Director Neighbourhoods), Daniel Khan, Gemma Sidaway (Housing Solutions Review Officer) and Jo Hutchison (Democratic Services, Scrutiny and Elections Officer)

Apologies received from: Councillor(s) M J Greatorex and J Faulkner. Councillors M Bailey and P Standen attended as substitutes.

19 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the previous Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee held on the 19th September 2019 were approved and signed as a correct record.

(Moved by Councillor P Brindley and seconded by Councillor K Norchi)

20 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

21 UNIVERSITY HOSPITALS OF DERBY AND BURTON NHS FOUNDATION TRUST - UPDATE

The Chair introduced the Executive Managing Director for Burton and the Deputy Director for Strategy & Partnerships from the University Hospitals of Derby and Burton NHS Foundation Trust (the "Trust") to the Committee who were attending the meeting to provide an update on the performance of the Trust with a particular focus on the local community hospitals.

By way of background the attendees explained to the Committee that the NHS was required to work more collaboratively and in a more integrated way to deliver services to patients. In terms of the Community strategy this involved

understanding the population's health needs, developing place-based models of care and enhancing the Community Hospital offering. This should provide a more personalised and patient centred focus with more integrated pathways which linked into primary care as well.

The Committee was updated on the new services established at the Sir Robert Peel and Samuel Johnson hospitals since the merger as follows:

- Spinal Clinics
- Hand surgery Clinics and Theatre
- Gastroenterology Clinics
- Palliative Care Clinics
- Orthopaedic Clinics
- Renal & Nephrology Clinics
- Endoscopy Clinics

The Executive Managing Director highlighted to the Committee the new Frailty / Staying Well Pathway which aimed to help support frail and elderly patients in staying well, and avoiding admissions to hospital by working with GPs, pharmacists and with social care colleagues and also to minimise such patients needing to attend multiple appointments.

In addition it was reported that the hours of operation of phlebotomy and dermatology services had been extended, and that further services were planned to be operated from the community hospitals.

It was reported that as well as increasing services at the community hospitals, following the merger there remained a focus on looking to expand cardiology services and work was underway to assess whether Burton hospital could provide primary coronary intervention. In terms of stroke cases, it was reported that the Trust was following the national model to ensure the hyper acute stroke phase (first 72 hours) was delivered from the specialist centre at Derby Hospital.

It was reported that the merger had helped to support the recruitment of specialists in several areas who would be able to operate over both the Derby and Burton sites as well as there being local clinics run from community hospitals as appropriate.

The Committee was updated on the activity at the two local community hospitals which showed positive trends in the numbers of day case procedures, although there were some activities which were down on pre-mergers levels, although the most recent data was more positive in terms of elective activity and minor injury unit visits.

The Committee considered the importance of patients using local services when they were available and any barriers, in terms of transport, which existed to patients accessing services locally and at Burton hospital. The Trust reported that it looked to deliver as much health care as locally as possible and to minimise the times patients needed to travel further to Burton for treatment. Furthermore the Committee discussed whether local GPs were always aware of all the services which could be delivered locally when assisting patients in exercising

their choice for any treatment required. The Trust noted that it would continue to work with local GPs to support the local delivery of services, when appropriate, which fitted in with the long term strategic direction of the health service.

The Committee sought clarification on whether some aspects of cardiac care could be provided at community hospitals, rather than at the main centres where it appeared most rehabilitation took place currently. It was reported that this would depend on eth bed base at community hospitals, and that there was not yet clarity on whether such care could best be delivered from hospitals or from home.

The Committee discussed the size of the site at Sir Robert Peel and the potential for there to be further developments at this site.

The Committee thanked the Executive Managing Director and the Deputy Director for Strategy & Partnerships for attending the Committee, who then left the meeting.

Councillor D Box left the meeting.

22 HOUSING ALLOCATIONS POLICY

The Chair introduced the Assistant Director, Neighbourhoods, the Head of Homelessness and Housing Solutions, and the Housing Solutions Review Officer to the Committee.

The Assistant Director Neighbourhoods provided an overview of the Allocations Policy Review. The current Allocations Policy was implemented in 2014/15.

The Assistant Director reported that the proposed Policy involved seven key proposals, which had formed the basis of the consultation:

- The disqualification of those with no housing need – it was reported that this would be likely to reduce significantly the number of those households in Band 4;
- To cancel housing applications where no bids had been received in the preceding 12 months, provided that suitable properties had been offered;
- To cancel applications where three offers had been refused, provided the offers were suitable;
- More focussed support to be provided in Band 1 and Band 1+;
- Amendments to cumulative preference;
- Introduction of a financial threshold allowing access to the register only if they were unable to fund an alternative solution;
- Strengthening of the local connection.

The Assistant Director reported that at the close of the consultation 11% of those consulted with had responded and that overall respondents agreed with the proposals. In particular feedback from Registered Providers was positive and one provider responded that the proposals were fair and would help to support balanced and sustainable communities in Tamworth Borough.

The Assistant Director set out the timescales for the next steps following the consideration by this committee, which was for the full report to be considered by Council on 19 November, and if approved, for implementation to be by June 2020. Ahead of implementation there would be staff training, significant communications and customer support planning as well as events organised to support any customers who would no longer be eligible to be on the housing register.

The Assistant Director circulated to members a copy of the draft Assessment of Impact and outcomes for the Committee's consideration. The assessment had been drafted on the basis of the seven protected characteristics under equalities legislation. It assessed whether any aspects of the proposals could have an impact on the seven characteristics, and if so the actions to reduce any such impact. The Committee was invited to consider the draft assessment and provide any comments by 31 October 2019.

Councillor M Oates and K Norchi left the meeting.

23 UPDATE FROM THE CHAIR

The Chair updated the Committee on the following matters:

- Corporate Scrutiny Committee had agreed that one of the two nominations for representation at the Tenants Consultative Group should come from the Health & Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee. It was noted that Councillor P Standen had been nominated as the representative from the Corporate Scrutiny Committee and therefore a member from the conservative group would be sought. The Chair agreed to circulate the dates of the meetings and seek nominations;
- The Governing Bodies of the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Clinical Commissioning Groups had agreed, following the GP membership vote, that an application to merge the CCGs would not be made to NHS England;
- The Members training session on Primary Care on 23 October;
- The Chair agreed to organise circulation to members of the additional date that had been announced for the George Bryan services engagement event.

24 UPDATE ON HEALTH RELATED MATTERS CONSIDERED BY STAFFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

The Chair invited County Councillor T Clements to update the Committee on the Healthy Staffordshire Select Committee meeting held on 9 October.

County Councillor T Clements reported that the focus of the meeting was on Stoke on Trent and Staffordshire approach to Children and Young People's Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health 2018-2023.

Councillor Clements further reported that she had raised with the Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member, Health Care and Wellbeing at Staffordshire County Council,

the clarification which had been sought by the Committee on the sustainability of Nexus given the issues that had arisen for Allied Healthcare. It was reported that robust due diligence had been undertaken prior to the appointment.

25 HEALTHY STAFFORDSHIRE SELECT COMMITTEE - DISTRICT / BOROUGH DIGEST

The Committee noted the report.

26 FORWARD PLAN

There were no further items identified from the Forward Plan for consideration by this Committee.

The Chair invited a member of the public to make one point to the Committee. The point made was in respect of the location of the engagement event being run by Midland Partnership NHS Foundation Trust for the Future of the George Bryan Centre services. The event was being held was outside the Borough of Tamworth.

27 HEALTH & WELLBEING SCRUTINY WORK PLAN - 2019/2020

27.1 Staffordshire Observatory Data Pack for Tamworth

The Committee did not at this time identify any further items from the Staffordshire Observatory Data Pack for this Committee's consideration.

27.2 Review and update the Health & Wellbeing Committee Scrutiny Work Plan 2019/2020

The Committee noted the request to invite in Midlands Partnership NHS Foundation Trust to talk about their approach to partnership working and to provide an update on the George Bryan centre.

The Committee considered the Work Plan and updated it as follows:

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Upcoming Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee Meetings

26 November 2019
21 January 2020
26 February 2020
2 April 2020

Upcoming Relevant County Council Meetings

Healthy Staffordshire Select Committee

28 October 2019 at 10am

2 December 2019 at 10am

3 February 2020 at 10am

17 March 2020 at 10am

Chair

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TUESDAY, 26 NOVEMBER 2019

REPORT OF THE PORTFOLIO HOLDER FOR REGULATORY AND COMMUNITY SAFETY

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN AND ADULTS AT RISK OF ABUSE REPORT

EXEMPT INFORMATION

None

PURPOSE

The purpose of the report is to provide a biannual safeguarding update to the Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That members:

Review the report and raise any questions in relation to the content with the Assistant Director – Partnerships in collaboration with the Portfolio Holder for Communities and Public Health, and thereafter endorse.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Tamworth Borough Council has a legal responsibility to safeguard children and adults with care and support needs from abuse and neglect. The safeguarding children and adults at risk of abuse and neglect policy and procedure provides a framework for safeguarding and demonstrates the council's commitment to safeguard children and adults at risk.

Safeguarding is integrated into the day-to-day operations of the council. The council responds to all safeguarding concerns raised in line with the safeguarding procedure. Reporting of concerns is fundamental in ensuring that children and adults at risk receive the necessary support to safeguard and promote their welfare.

The following information provides an overview of the number of safeguarding referrals received and an update on the safeguarding work that has taken place since the last update provided to the Committee on the 4th April 2019.

Safeguarding Statistics

The number of safeguarding concerns referred via the council's safeguarding reporting procedure for the date period 1st April 2019 to 30th September 2019 are as follows:

Children referrals 13

Adult referrals 19

Referrals continue to be received from a wide range of council staff including, customer services advisers, housing officers and street wardens.

For the quarterly safeguarding referral overview please see Appendix 1.

Stoke-on-Trent and Staffordshire Safeguarding Children Board (SSSCB)

The new working arrangements for the Stoke-on-Trent and Staffordshire Safeguarding Children Board came into effect on the 1st April 2019. As a result of the new working arrangements the District Council Safeguarding Subgroup will no longer sit as a sub group under the Board. The link to the board will now be through the newly formed District Council's Partnership Group. The first meeting of the partnership group took place on the 17th July 2019. Tamworth Borough Council's Partnership Manager and Partnership Vulnerability Officer will attend future quarterly meetings.

Further information in relation to the new working arrangements of the Stoke-on-Trent and Staffordshire Safeguarding Children Board are available via the link in the background papers section of this report.

Staffordshire and Stoke –on-Trent Adult Safeguarding Partnership Board (SSASPB)

The SSASPB Manager and Staffordshire County Council Adult Safeguarding Manager delivered a safeguarding workshop for frontline staff on the 21st August. The session covered the referral process for adults at risk who are suffering harm or abuse. The session enabled constructive and helpful discussion around alternative options to consider when dealing with referrals that do not meet the threshold for adult safeguarding.

Safeguarding Training

The Partnership Vulnerability Officer and Partnership Support Officer are currently undertaking a review of safeguarding training for staff. The review will look at specific job roles within the council and consider the level of additional safeguarding training required to support staff in those job roles. All staff can access a wide range of face-to-face safeguarding training free of charge from Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Safeguarding Children Board. The Partnership Vulnerability Officer will advise managers of the training that staff can access and monitor attendance going forward.

A safeguarding workshop was delivered to members by the Partnership Vulnerability Officer on the 27th June 2019.

Refresher safeguarding for taxi driver training continues to be delivered by the Partnership Support Officer, alongside safeguarding training for new taxi drivers.

The Partnership Officer continues to deliver a number of key safety messages to primary school children. Presentations on the following topics are offered to schools: internet safety, alcohol awareness, anti-bullying, littering, anti-social behaviour, road safety, safer strangers and streetwise. Uptake from Tamworth primary schools is excellent.

An online safety awareness event, organised by Tamworth Community Safety Partnership in conjunction with Ankerside Shopping Centre and O2, took place on the 29th of October 2019. Tamworth Borough Council's Partnership Officer shared important safety advice and raised awareness of potential online dangers. Leaflets and wristbands were given out and children were given advice on how to keep themselves safe online, and who to speak to if they were faced with online bullying.

Current work streams

Modern Day Slavery

The Partnership Vulnerability Officer and the Partnership Support Officer completed the Hope for Justice one day train the trainer modern day slavery session. The officers are currently reviewing the modern day slavery eLearning training package to roll out to all staff and identifying members of staff that will require face to face training because of their job role. The current Level 1 safeguarding training session delivered to staff covers modern day slavery within its content.

Domestic Abuse Forum

Tamworth Borough Council, East Staffordshire Borough Council and Lichfield District Council partnership officers have agreed to review the current domestic abuse forum arrangements. A task and finish group have met and reviewed the terms of reference, action plan and group membership. The first meeting of the group is scheduled for the 6th November. The chairing of meetings and the meeting venue will rotate between the three councils.

Domestic Abuse Workplace Champions

The Partnership Officer has completed domestic abuse workplace champion training. The Assistant Director - Partnerships will progress embedding the domestic abuse champion role within the organisation, liaising with the Corporate Management Team, Head of HR & Organisational Development and members going forward.

Vulnerable Adolescent Multi-agency Panels (VAMAP)

Vulnerable Adolescent Multi-agency Panel meetings will replace the existing Child Sexual Exploitation Panel meetings. The remit of the panel will now be much wider and not solely focused on child sexual exploitation. The panel will consider other forms of exploitation that can place children and young people at risk.

The panel will adopt a contextual safeguarding approach, this new approach has been developed over the past six years to inform policy and practice approaches to safeguarding adolescents.

Contextual safeguarding is an approach to understanding, and responding to, young people's experiences of significant harm beyond their families. It recognises that the

different relationships that young people form in their neighbourhoods, schools and online can feature violence and abuse. Parents and carers have little influence over these contexts, and young people's experiences of extra-familial abuse can undermine parent-child relationships.

The Partnership Vulnerability Officer will attend the VAMAP meetings; the first meeting will take place on the 27th November 2019.

Tamworth Vulnerability Partnership

The Tamworth Vulnerability Partnership continues to coordinate a multiagency approach to addressing vulnerability within the Tamworth community. The meeting is now jointly chaired by the Partnership Vulnerability Officer and the Tamworth Police Harm Reduction Sergeant. The meeting is well attended by representatives from key statutory agencies.

Grant Funding

The Council continues to provide grant funding through a number of funding streams that supports the work of third sector organisations and enables them to provide early help support to children, families and vulnerable people. These local organisations can intervene early when difficulties begin to arise and prevent difficulties from escalating; prevention is a key principle of safeguarding.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

There are no immediate financial implications arising from this report. The cost of training and materials will be met from existing budgets.

LEGAL/RISK IMPLICATIONS BACKGROUND

The Safeguarding Children and Adults at Risk of Abuse and Neglect Policy has been risk assessed and no significant risks exist. From a legal perspective the authority is meeting its expectations and requirements in relation to vulnerable children and adults at risk.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

The policy and staff in this important service will continue to operate locally and in conjunction with partners to sustain the levels of support, training and guidance required.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Tamworth Borough Council has both a legal and moral duty to protect children and adults at risk from harm and abuse. The Children Act 1989 and 2004 along with the associated government statutory guidance sets out our legal responsibilities for protecting children. The Care Act 2014 along with associated statutory guidance recognises and reinforces that organisations make a significant contribution to adult safeguarding.

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Partnership Vulnerability Officer

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

[Stoke-on-Trent and Staffordshire Safeguarding Children Board new working arrangements](#)

APPENDICES

Appendix 1 Quarterly safeguarding referral overview

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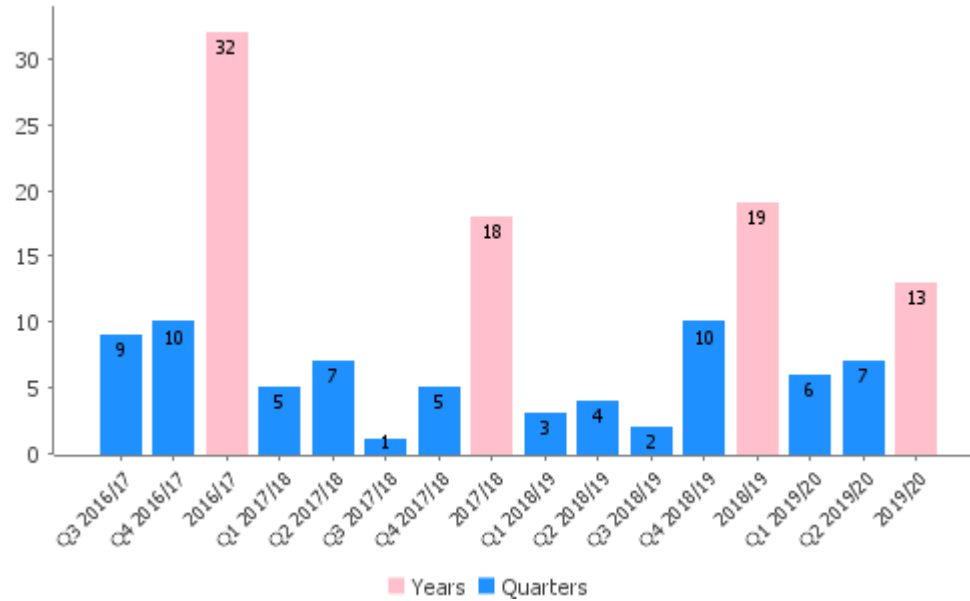
Safeguarding Performance Indicators

Performance Indicator

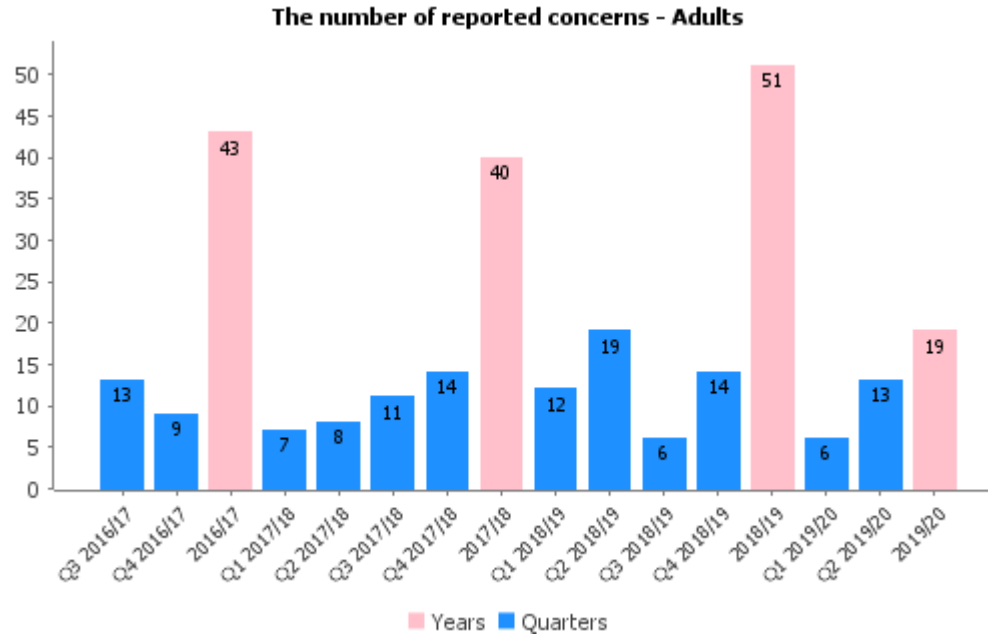
Trend Chart

The number of reported concerns - Children

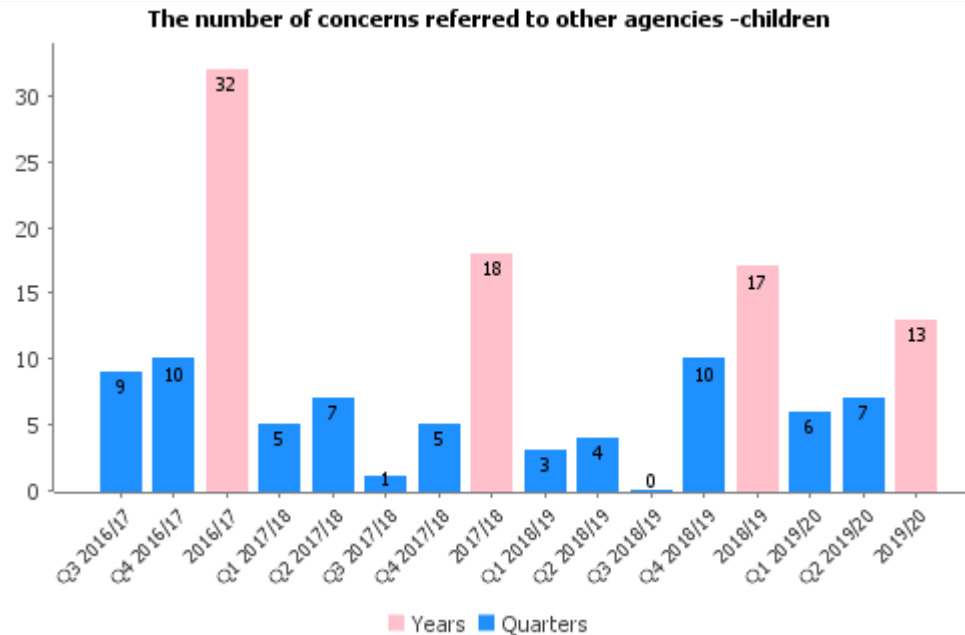
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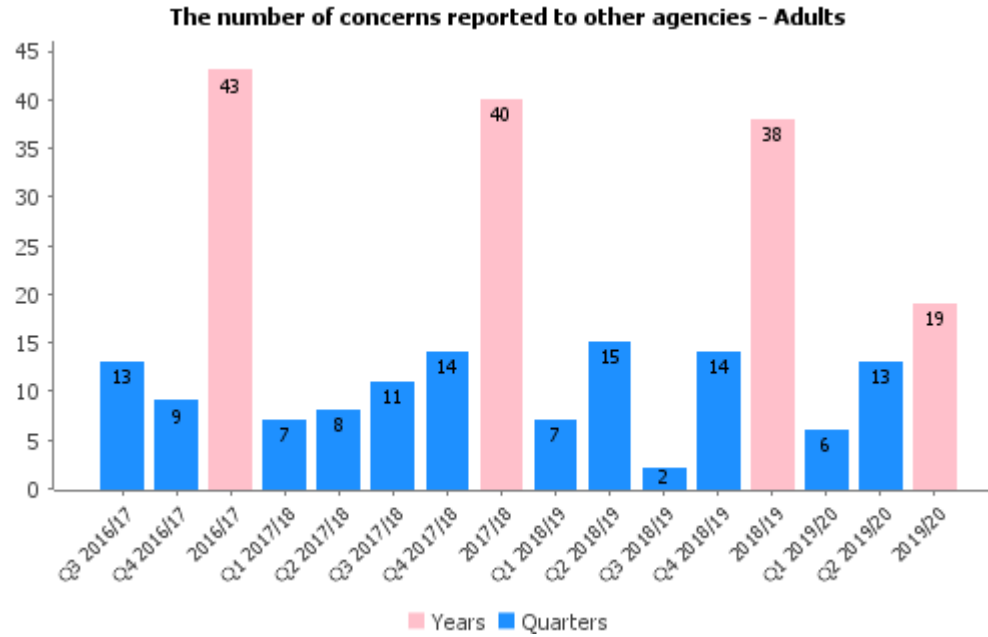
The number of reported concerns - Adults



The number of concerns referred to other agencies - children



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**Healthy Staffordshire Select Committee – 9 October 2019
District/Borough Digest**

Under the Health Scrutiny Code of Joint Working with District and Borough Councils, Authorities have undertaken to keep relevant Partners informed of their consideration of health matters having regard to the general working principle of co-operation and the need to ensure a co-ordinated Staffordshire approach. Therefore, the following is a summary of the business transacted at the meeting of the Healthy Staffordshire Select Committee held on 9 October 2019 - link to Agenda and reports pack:

<http://moderngov.staffordshire.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=871&MId=11431&Ver=4>

Agenda Items	District(s)/Borough(s)
<p><u>A Stoke-on-Trent and Staffordshire Approach to Children and Young People's Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health 2018-2023 - Update report</u></p> <p>The plan consisted of 3 priorities, Delivery of the strategy; Improving pathways and whole system approach; and better access for those children and young people who require specialist intervention.</p> <p>The report also contained information on the Mental health trailblazer which covers North Staffordshire and the Moorlands.</p> <p>There are currently four Tier 2 contracts commissioned by the County Council and a bespoke contract to deliver a service for Looked After Children (LAC) and care leavers, which is part of a larger service with the Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCG's). The contracts come to an end on the 31 March 2020 and the funding from both the County Council and the CCG's had been pooled to enable a new service to be jointly commissioned. The new approach and the consultation feedback were detailed in the report.</p> <p>The Select Committee supported the new approach but felt that timescales needed to be clearer and there needed to be more support into prevent negative consequences of social media and the link between physical health and its relationship with mental health. The Committee also asked for exit interviews to be introduced; more digital links with partners; and emphasis on early years identification prior to services being needed.</p>	<p>All Districts and Boroughs</p>

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