

Health Scrutiny and Performance Panel

**Agenda
Item No. 7**

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Dementia Programme

Ward(s) All

Portfolios: Cllr McCracken – Social Care & Health

Report: Dementia Programme Update

An update of the dementia programme for Walsall which includes the Memory Service.


Powerpoint presentation and PDF handout with this document.

Recommendations:

That the Panel support a dementia public awareness raising / reducing stigma campaign.

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*The journey to improved
dementia services in Walsall*

The road to better dementia services in Walsall 2012

Where

are

we

now?



Hospital liaison service

New support services & Watermill

Established memory service

Joint commissioning

EOD, ARD, Crisis services

Care homes

Integrated dementia pathways

Acute hospital care

Funding for dementia

Dementia awareness

Stigma

Walsall ranked 159/169 for diagnosis

The journey so far

- The national strategy & local picture
- Engagement / consultation plan
- Published consultation & local strategy
- First round of dementia awareness training
- Primary Care business plan
- Walsall dementia website & information
- First dementia café opens
- The Watermill opens
- Low level support services: Age UK & Accord
- Hospital liaison team & integrated pathway
- DoH social care support of memory services
- Care home initiatives by council

Work in progress & work needed

- Training
- Improving quality and person centred care
- Development of seamless integrated pathways
- Reducing stigma & dementia awareness
- Cambridge Cognition's CANTAB PAL
- Care home survey and improvement programme
- Older people's mental health review (DWMHPT)

Challenges for the Memory Service

- Increase in numbers – 20 referrals a week
- Need to increase diagnoses to improve 159th/169
- 1,036 people diagnosed & on dementia lists (2011)
- 500+ on dementia drugs
- NICE traditionally required a 6 monthly review
- Low level support can be provided elsewhere
- Shared Care Protocol in place
- More partnership working (integrated pathways)
- Shared problem for provider and commissioner

Questions?

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