

Health Committee Team meeting Friday 13th April 2018

Present Anne Mitchell, Gillian Smith and Laura Sexton

As a first meeting we aimed to set goals for the future role of this group. The immediate needs are to respond to health related issues raised through the community council. A second role is to participate in the local strategic NHS vision and provision plans for within this area.

Current issues that we will endeavour to be involved with include:

1. The potential provision of further pharmacy services. We agree that if possible one of our team should attend the NHS Lothian panel to discuss the potential benefits and disadvantages to the community once the date is known. We will ask Will Sampson to inform us of the date. We will approach existing providers to gain further information about potential impacts.
2. There is potentially a difficulty within the community around inclusion for children with additional support needs. The person who raised this has now met with Louise Young and Gillian Smith who have offered practical advice. Anne Mitchell has agreed to accompany this person to a meeting being held by Edinburgh City Council about holiday club provision. We will try to find out how many children in this area have ASN
3. The community council has already been approached by a key worker who is to look at provision for mental health care within the community. Anne is currently liaising with her to meet and discuss how the health group can support this venture.
4. There is a mental health link worker attached to the GP practice and we are in the process of arranging to meet, along with Neil McKinley representing Ferry Glen, to see how community organisations can support this role.

Looking towards involvement in strategic development;

1. We plan to meet with the GP practice manager to develop relationships between the community council and the health care providers.
2. Obtain and read the document Draft Joint Strategic Needs Assessment which was published by the Edinburgh Health and Social Care Partnership

Next team meeting 0900 at the Haven Friday 18th May 2018