



Welcome to the October 2018 Tameside & Glossop Partnership Engagement Network (PEN) update.

Our regular updates enable us to keep you informed of upcoming activity including PEN events and engagement or consultation work across Tameside and Glossop which may be of interest to you.

We want to invite as many people as possible from across Tameside & Glossop to join the PEN family. If you know others who would be interested in hearing about upcoming activity including PEN events and engagement or consultation work across Tameside and Glossop please encourage them to register [here](#).

Things to be aware of this month include:

- Our fourth Partnership Engagement Network Conference took place on Monday 15 October at Hyde Town Hall. With over 70 participants, it was a lively and engaging event with delegates invited to have their say on issues including Frailty, Community Safety, Patient Centred Diagnosis Discussions in Long Term Conditions, Collaborative Practice in Primary Care, Tameside's Big Food Debate and Children's Emotional Health & Wellbeing. A feedback report of the event is currently being collated and will be circulated and uploaded [here](#) shortly. In the meantime, if you attended the Conference and have yet to provide feedback on the day you can do so by clicking [here](#). The closing date for submitting feedback is Friday 2 November.

#### Local engagement and consultations

There are a number of consultations taking place which you may wish to take part in. For further information and to have your say please follow the relevant links below:

- [Conditions for which over-the-counter items should not routinely be prescribed](#) – NHS England consulted early this year on reducing the prescribing of over-the-counter medicines for minor, short-term health concerns. They have now published new guidance on conditions for which over the counter items should not routinely be prescribed in primary care. Before considering next steps and Tameside & Glossop CCG's response to the new NHS England guidance it is important to understand the potential impact of those changes on local people. The deadline for comments is 31 October 2018.
- [Stalybridge Town Centre Challenge](#) - In February this year, Andy Burnham, the Greater Manchester Mayor, launched the Greater Manchester Town Centre Challenge-an ambitious new initiative to regenerate urban centres across Greater Manchester. Stalybridge was agreed as the Tameside town centre. It is an opportunity to raise the profile of Stalybridge and attract investment from a range of organisations. To attract that investment a clear plan is needed for a vibrant town centre. And to put together that plan the views of local people-whether that is residents, businesses or visitors-are key. Please complete the survey by 31 October and let us know your views on Stalybridge Town Centre.
- [Digital Skills Survey](#) - Tameside Council is committed to developing good digital skills for all of their residents. They want to be able to measure progress in

developing resident's digital skills. This consultation will help to establish the base figure of resident's current digital skills, against which future progress will be measured. The deadline for comments is 2 November 2018.

- [\*\*Council Tax Support Scheme\*\*](#) - Tameside Council's Council Tax Support Scheme provides financial assistance to some Council Tax charge payers on a low income whether they rent or own their own home, or live rent-free. A range of proposals are currently being considered on whether the Council Tax Support Scheme should change for 2019/20. The deadline for comments is 22 November 2018.
- [\*\*Gambling Act Policy\*\*](#) - In accordance with the provisions of the Gambling Act 2005, Tameside Council is required to publish a Statement of Principles (also known as the 'Gambling Policy'). The statement provides guidance on the approach the Council, as the Licensing Authority, takes on gambling licensing matters. The Council is required to review its policy at least every three years. The existing statement is due to expire in February 2019. Before the revised statement can be adopted, the Licensing Authority must consult with a wide variety of individuals and businesses who may have an interest in licensed premises within its area. The deadline for comments is 4 January 2019.

#### Regional engagement and consultations

There are a number of consultations taking place at a regional level which you may wish to take part in. For further information and to have your say please follow the relevant links below:

- [\*\*Greater Manchester Culture Strategy\*\*](#) – Greater Manchester is known globally for its significant contribution to culture, which is why the Culture Strategy for the city-region sets out to build on this, and to develop Greater Manchester as the best place in the world to create, participate and engage with culture and heritage. You can help shape the future of Greater Manchester's cultural offerings by feeding into the consultation on the draft strategy. Greater Manchester Combined Authority (GMCA) are asking for your comments by 6 November 2018.
- [\*\*Developing a Good Employment Charter for Greater Manchester\*\*](#) - Greater Manchester is developing a Good Employment Charter. The aim of the Charter is to help employers reach excellent employment standards and become more successful as a result. They are now seeking your views on their draft Employment Charter, which will help to finalise what it looks like for people across Greater Manchester. GMCA particularly want to hear from employers and employees in the private, public and voluntary and community sectors, people working in organisations responsible for employment practices, and representative bodies such as business groups and trade unions. The deadline for comments is 18 November 2018.
- [\*\*Greater Manchester Industrial Strategy\*\*](#) - Greater Manchester is a world-renowned centre of industry, innovation, enterprise and creativity. Developing an industrial strategy is an opportunity to drive our city-region forward as a global economic powerhouse. The Mayor of Greater Manchester and the wider GMCA want people to have their say on the strategy before it is agreed in March 2019. Your views will help shape the future of the city-region's economy. The deadline for comments is 22 November 2018.

## National engagement and consultations

There are currently a number of pieces of engagement and /or consultation work being led by Government departments / agencies that you may wish to take part in. For further information and to have your say please follow the relevant links below:

- Contracting arrangements for Integrated Care Providers (ICPs) – NHS England are consulting on the contracting arrangements for [Integrated Care Providers \(ICPs\)](#). Closing date: 26 October 2018.
- A new deal for social housing – The Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government are seeking views on a [New Deal for Social Housing](#). Closing date: 6 November 2018.
- Relationships education, relationships and sex education, and health education - The Department for Education is seeking views on the draft regulations, guidance and impact assessment relating to [Relationships Education, Relationships and Sex Education \(RSE\) and Health Education](#). Closing date: 7 November 2018.
- Sale of Energy Drinks to Children - The Department of Health and Social Care are consulting on ending the [sale of energy drinks to children](#). Closing date: 21 November 2018.
- Proposals for the reform of the annual canvass – The Cabinet Office are seeking views on the [proposed reforms to the annual canvass](#). Closing date: 30 November 2018.
- Calorie labelling for food and drink served outside of the home – The Department of Health & Social Care is seeking views on making [places that serve food and drink outside of the home show calorie information \(calorie labelling\)](#). Closing date: 7 December 2018.
- Improving adult basic digital skills – The Department for Education is seeking views on plans to improve [adult basic digital skills](#). Closing date: 10 January 2019.