



July 2018

Welcome to the July 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:

- **Feedback from the third Partnership Engagement Network Conference on 27 June** – with over 80 participants, the June conference was our most well attended to date. A diverse series of workshops invited views on issues including Improving Access to Primary Care, Tackling & Preventing Homelessness, Identifying & Supporting Ex-Service Personnel, Increasing Digital Skills & Employment, Prescribing of Over the Counter Medicines and Planning at End of Life. A copy of the feedback report from the event can be found [here](#).
- **One Equality Scheme** - One Equality Scheme 2018-22 is the first joint Equality Scheme of the Tameside & Glossop Strategic Commission (Tameside Council and NHS Tameside and Glossop Clinical Commissioning Group). Under the terms of the Equality Act 2010, all public bodies are required to publish certain pieces of equality related information. This joint Scheme ensures that both the Council and CCG fulfil their obligations - particularly to publish one or more specific and measurable equality objectives at no more than four years from the date of first publication. Having been agreed by both Executive Cabinet (Tameside Council) and Governing Body (CCG) a copy of the Scheme is now available on both the [Council](#) and [CCG](#) websites.
- **Healthwatch Reports** – Healthwatch are independent organisations who listen to the experiences of local residents and give them a stronger say in influencing how local health and social care services are provided. Healthwatch Derbyshire have recently released two reports - their **Intelligence Report** for July 2018 which includes information on projects they are currently working on, work they are planning and updates on work previously undertaken and also the **Healthwatch Derbyshire Annual Report for 2017/18**. Copies of both reports and details of other work can be found [here](#). Details of **Healthwatch Tameside's Annual Report for 2017/18** and other reports published by Healthwatch Tameside can be found [here](#).

Local and regional 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 our 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 14 September 2018.
- [Cardiology](#) and [Respiratory](#) Consultations – Greater Manchester Health & Social Care Partnership are currently consulting on a review of Cardiology and Respiratory services across Greater Manchester. As part of each review, there is a team involving doctors, patients and other healthcare staff from across the region working together to make the hospital based cardiology and respiratory services the best they can be, and to make them sustainable and affordable for the future. The deadline for comments for both consultations is 19 August 2018.
- [Beelines](#) - Transport for Greater Manchester and Greater Manchester's Cycling and Walking Commissioner Chris Boardman have published proposals to make Greater Manchester the first city-region in the UK to have a fully joined up cycling and walking network, covering 1,000 miles in total. The proposals set out a strategy for effective delivery for a network that will make cycling and walking a viable choice for those living in the region. The focus of the proposed network is to enable two thirds of people who get about in the car to choose to travel by bike or on foot. TfGM want to hear comments and opinions from members of the public on the proposals.
- [Healthwatch Derbyshire – Carers Engagement](#) – Healthwatch Derbyshire want to hear from carers in Derbyshire about how they could be better supported in their role as a carer in relation to health and social care services

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:

- NHS England (NHSE) – consultation on proposed changes to the service specification for [Tier 4 Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services \(CAMHS\)](#). Closing date: 14 August 2018.
- Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra) – consultation on the [Government's draft Clean Air Strategy 2018](#). Closing date: 14 August 2018.
- Department for Transport (DT) – seeking views to inform the requirements of the [next Cross Country rail franchise](#). Closing date: 30 August 2018.
- NHS England (NHSE) – consultation on [Evidence Based Interventions](#). Closing date: 28 September 2018.
- Reform of the Gender Recognition Act 2004 - seeking views on how best to reform the [Gender Recognition Act 2004](#). Closing date: 19 October 2018.