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Importance: High

Hello Lisa.

I hope that things are well with you.

The draft NNDC Homelessness a Rough Sleeping Strategy has been shared with some of us by colleagues in Adult Social Care commissioning.

It is a very welcome document which lays out the issues and maps well NNDC's future plans for developing homelessness prevention.

However, the only mentions of the County Council in the draft are in respect of work around the joint protocols around young people and intentionally homeless families.

I think that the Strategy would be strengthened further if examples and emphasis is added which demonstrates the collaborative approach between Norfolk County Council and NNDC that contribute to homelessness prevention (ie pp 16-19). This feels particularly important as from time to time in the discussions over diminishing resources some of our respective members can become territorial over where the responsibility for housing / homelessness and care / support lies.

It would be good to see explicit acknowledgement of the partnership between NCC and NNDC behind the planning and funding of the homelessness and rough sleeping prevention initiative which covers some of the tenancy support for people who have been homeless. This also extends to joint funding for Severe Weather Emergency Provision arrangements when these are needed.

There is mention of the supportive partnership between NNDC and Notting Hill Genesis but it would be positive to see acknowledgment that NCC and NNDC jointly fund a range of hostel and supported housing provision for people who have been homeless or who are at risk provided by Notting Hill Genesis and by The Benjamin Foundation and Empanda for young people.

I guess that Maureen is likely to make this point but it would be good to acknowledge the District Council will continue to work with other services which have a positive impact in respect of homelessness in North Norfolk, in particular the Norfolk Integrated Housing and Community Support Service led by Together to support people with poor mental health. This service is funded by Norfolk County Council and the CCGs.

Kind regards

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