

LONDON HEALTH BOARD

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1. Purpose of this paper

- 1.1 Since the LHB last considered dementia in December 2018, significant progress has been made in London. A great deal of this work has been ongoing for several years. The Dementia Friendly London initiative endorsed by the LHB supports the work of Alzheimer's Society and others by making connections and opportunities to share learning and raising the profile of initiatives underway to benefit people affected by dementia and to amplify the messages and engage more Londoners.
- 1.2 This papers in this agenda item aim to give members:
- an update from the Alzheimer's Society of progress at local and London levels towards London becoming a Dementia Friendly capital city (**item 6a**).
 - an overview from London Association of Directors of Adult Social Services (ADASS) of progress and next steps in the work led by boroughs to create dementia-friendly communities (**item 6b**).

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 Board members are invited to:
- Note and comment on progress; and
 - Offer strategic direction and support on next steps.

3. Context

- 3.1 At the December 2017 LHB meeting, members received an update from the Alzheimer's Society on progress in London since the Prime Minister's Challenge on dementia (2012) and their Manifesto for a dementia-friendly London (2016).
- 3.2 Dr Tom Coffey informed the Board of a recent approach made by the Alzheimer's Society on making London the first Dementia-friendly city. The Mayor had agreed to support Dementia Friendly London and work was underway with the GLA,

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Transport for London and the Metropolitan Police Service to accredit each as Dementia Friends.

- 3.3 Board members commented on the definition of dementia-friendly London. An updated version is included at Appendix A. The Board endorsed and agreed to support a London-wide commitment to be made at a 'dementia-friendly summit' event during Dementia Awareness Week (21 – 27 May 2018) to support work to build on initiatives already underway; and agreed that examples of existing good practice should be highlighted. An overview of Dementia Friendly London is provided at Appendix B.

4. Dementia Friendly London progress

- 4.1 Paper 6a provides members with an update from the 21 May 2018 summit and an overview of the work that Alzheimer's Society has been leading and where it has been supporting LHB partners and their sectors and others e.g. business and leisure to become more dementia-friendly.
- 4.2 Paper 6b showcases work led by ADASS across local boroughs and other local partners on creating dementia-friendly organisations, partnership and communities and gives an update on developing personalised services that benefit people with dementia, their families and carers.

5. Next steps

- 5.1 The Alzheimer's Society will continue to lead on the campaign and has provided dedicated support staff seconded to the Greater London Authority. The Society will support organisations and partners to develop and deliver their on 'sector-led' plans. Their team will also continue to support forums for sharing good practice, collating and reporting back on progress data and will lead on the annual event.
- 5.2 The Board is invited to receive annual progress updates at future meetings, with written updates as appropriate.

Appendices:

Appendix A: Dementia Friendly London definition

Appendix B: Dementia Friendly London overview (PowerPoint slide pack)

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Appendix A: Dementia Friendly London

Mayor and London Health Board partners committed at a London Summit on 21 May 2018 to support Alzheimer's Society's vision of London becoming the world's first 'dementia-friendly' capital city by 2022.

A Dementia-Friendly London is an inclusive and compassionate and dynamic city where Londoners affected by dementia are empowered and supported to live well.

People with dementia have told us they want to:

- Travel to where they want to go safely
- Live somewhere they feel supported, understood and included in community life
- Receive the help they need to access quality health, care and support services when and where they require it
- Can participate in all that London has to offer in arts, culture and leisure
- Feel confident to visit local high streets and town centres.

Alzheimer's Society is working with the GLA and other partners to achieve the following by 2022:

- 2,000 dementia friendly organisations
- 500,000 Dementia Friends
- Every London borough working towards becoming a dementia friendly community
- Meaningful involvement of people affected by dementia

Partner commitments:

The GLA will become dementia-friendly – all staff have opportunity to become dementia friends, reception and FM staff trained, looking at City Hall and champion dementia-friendly approaches to other partners.

The Assembly have also been championing this agenda and we want to work with Members and the Committee.

Local authorities are working to become Dementia Friendly Communities

TfL, Met Police, London Fire Brigade will build on the work already underway
Report back on progress annually.