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Wellbeing Policy Development & Scrutiny Panel – September 2012

1. PUBLIC ISSUES

Bath Paralympic Flame Celebration

The London Organising Committee of Olympic and Paralympic Games (LOCOG) granted permission to the Council to organise its own Lantern Bearer Relay which formed part of a procession through Bath on Saturday 25th August.

The council invited the public to nominate people who they felt displayed the Paralympic values of courage, determination, inspiration and equality, and how they have made a difference or pushed the boundaries of what is achievable. The 9 B&NES residents chosen to lead the 2,000m Lantern Relay included people with physical disabilities and those with learning disabilities. All are inspirational role models who have made significant contributions to their community.

2. PERFORMANCE

Adult Social Care Survey 2012

The results of the B&NES Adult Social Care Survey for this year have been submitted and key ASCOF outcome scores are shown below compared with last year's results for B&NES

Key Outcome Measure	2011	2012
1A Social Care Related Quality of Life (composite measure)	18.8	18.7
1B Proportion of people who use services who have control over	77.4%	76%
their daily lives		
3A Overall satisfaction with care & support services	66.1%	63.1%
3D People who use services who find it easy to find information	77.4%	73%
4A Proportion of people who use services who feel safe	64.3%	68.3%
4B People who use services who say those services have made	60.1%	75.2%
them feel safe and secure		

Although some results show a slight downward or upward change since last year, these differences are not statistically significant except the last one (4B) which appears to indicate a significant improvement on last year's response.

The differences in the first 5 indicators may be explained by a slight change in the population sample surveyed this year (notably, it included mental health service users). Some caution needs to be applied to the interpretation of the result for 4B because there was a change in methodology (from asking people a multi-select question last year to a straight yes/no this year). However, the overall results indicate

that performance is being maintained in all areas. We now need to concentrate on improving on them.

3. SERVICE DEVELOPMENT UPDATES

New Rural Social Enterprise service

A new Rural Social Enterprise service has been commissioned via a competitive tendering process. The contract has been awarded to Developing Health & Independence (DHI) and the new service will begin on the 17th September 2012. The main aims of the service are to support clients with mental health problems to learn new skills and / or develop existing ones, provide opportunities for people to realise their potential and raise personal aspirations and to provide opportunities for social contact and encourage the development and use of peer support.