

## Children, Adults, Health & Wellbeing Panel – 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2020

### **Cllr Appleyard - Member Briefing**

- The **Community Resource Centre and Extra Care** facilities successfully transferred to the Council on the 1st October; this went smoothly, and we have welcomed these Services into the Council. Since transfer, Council teams have been working closely with the Services to support transition into the different ways of working and building key operational relationships. The transition period is likely to continue throughout November in parallel with planning for and implementation of next phase of the Project. Considering the scale of the transfer and the number of staff involved, the transition issues to date have been minimal. Work is now in progress to look at the configuration of the Service in relation to local need.
- **Infection prevention and control** – the new round of infection prevention and control funding is being managed by council officers to ensure providers including those in the voluntary and community sector have access. We welcome the second wave of this funding and the expansion of the scheme to support local provider.
- The new **Advocacy Provider** has now started to operate in B&NES. PoHWER is a renowned national group. The acronym stands for People of Hertfordshire Want Equal Rights. They started out as two people with lived experience and have grown to be one the most respected advocacy providers in the country. We would like to extend our gratitude to the advocacy providers such as SWAN, YourSay and The Care Forum who provided the People of Bath and North East Somerset with an excellent service over the last 5 years or so.