

Scrutiny Proposal Form

(This form should be completed by sponsoring Member(s), Officers and / or members of the public when proposing an item for Scrutiny).

Note: The matters detailed below have not yet received any detailed consideration. The Overview and Scrutiny Committee reserves the right to reject suggestions for scrutiny that fall outside the Borough Council's remit.

Proposer's name and designation	Cllr Michael Chalk	Date of referral	17/06/2020
Proposed topic title	Dementia Task Group		
Link to local priorities including the strategic purposes	Living independent, active & healthy lives		
Background to the issue	<p>With an ageing population and advances in medicine we are all living longer. Numbers of dementia patients in the UK as a whole are reportedly rising. I am interested in finding out what impact this is having, in terms of the number of Dementia patients living in the Borough.</p> <p>It would be interesting to find out what services are available in the community and the care home availability for those who are living with Dementia.</p> <p>Are there causes of Dementia? Does lifestyle have an impact in diagnosis? These would all be areas of interest.</p>		
<p>Key Objectives Please keep to SMART objectives (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant and Timely)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To analyse the current levels of residents living with Dementia and whether they are higher or lower than the national average in order understand how prevalent the illness is within the Borough. 2. To clarify the different types of dementia that a person might develop and the different needs of those patients. 3. To consult with relevant Council Officers and partner organisations about services available to residents living with Dementia in the Borough. 4. To assess the existing support services available for residents living with or in the process of being diagnosed with Dementia, and in particular the availability and accessibility of services and care home facilities. 5. To research steps taken by other councils in their Dementia support services. 		

	<p>6. To establish how Dementia services are communicated to residents.</p> <p>7. To determine whether any action can be taken to improve services available to residents with dementia living in Redditch.</p>
<p>How long do you think is needed to complete this exercise? (Where possible please estimate the number of weeks, months and meetings required)</p>	<p>Estimated time for this task group is 3 to 4 meetings over a 6 month period starting from the end of September 2020.</p>

Please return this form to: Jess Bayley, Jo Gresham or Amanda Scarce, Democratic Services Officers, Redditch Borough Council, Town Hall, Walter Stranz Square, Redditch, B98 8AH

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