## **DRAFT** York Carers Strategy Action Plan 2011 – 2015 (Progress update March 2014) ANNEX 4

Recognised and supported Outcome	What we need to do	Achievements	Lead officer	Actions to
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Information: Carers will have wider access to accurate information and advice available through a range of	Set up a robust system for update and distribution of accessible information for carers, including electronic distribution methods	Information in factsheet format and available on line. 'Universal offer' being developed to launch	Carers Info Group Chair YCC	Continue
communication methods		June 2014. New York Carers Centre website being developed.		Continue
	Develop and distribute public information which is accessible to people who may not recognise themselves as 'carers'	As above	Carers Info Group Chair YCC	
	NEW Monitor implementation Care Bill re duty to provide information as it affects carers.		Frances Perry CYC	
	Involve GPs in the provision of information to carers	CCG continues to commission training for GPs	Sarah Kocinski VOYCCG	Further training planned by CCG

Carer identification: Carers will be recognised and valued for their unique role in supporting the cared for person	Enable professionals to effectively identify carers. Include carer awareness raising in all workforce development strategies	Universal offer as above	Carers Info Grp Chair CYC WDU and health workforce	Launch 'universal offer June 14 Work needed with health workforce development Units.
Integrated services: Services and information will be provided in a coordinated way across and within agencies	Ensure carers voice is represented and heard in Health and Wellbeing Board and partnership groups.	Carers Charter and Carers Champions agreed by HWBB July 2013. York Carers Forum sit on Older People and Long Term Conditions Partnership Board	Frances Perry/Sarah Kocinski/Helen Sikora	Review April 2015
	NEW Better Care Fund and health and social care integration (BCF)	Work in progress re ensuring support for carers integral to integration plans.		Review June 2015
	NEW Prevention: Care Bill implementation: monitor and review availability of 'preventative' support to carers.			

Personalised services: Carers will have access to a range of flexible services that meet their	Adult and Children's Social Services to provide a coordinated approach to assessment for the 'whole family'	Ensure holistic approach in implementation of Care Bill changes.	TBC CYC	Review June 2015
individual needs	NEW Engage in implementation of Care Bill guidance when issued re carer assessments and rights to services.		TBC CYC	Ongoing monitoring
	City of York Council will reduce length of waiting list for Carers Assessment of Need	Achieved. Ensure waiting list does not develop in future.	Ralph Edwards, CYC	Ŭ
Carer involvement: Carers will be involved in planning and monitoring the services	Review and increase carer involvement and take appropriate action	Carers Strategy Group role and membership reviewed and revised	Frances Perry CYC	Ongoing
they receive	Map carer involvement in local health and social care planning networks with attention to the development of Healthwatch	Achieved and ongoing – Healthwatch Manager member of Carers Strategy Group	Frances Perry CYC	Ongoing
	NEW Liaise with Healthwatch re raising carer awareness and promoting carer involvement in monitoring services.		Frances Perry CYC/Sian Balsom Healthwatch	Ongoing
	NEW Support for carer led forums – review : York Carers Forum and CANDI		Frances Perry	September 2014

Equality and social inclusion: All carers will be able to access services and support.	Ensure information about carers ethnicity is appropriately recorded by City of York Council, York Carers Centre and all Carers Strategy partner organisations to inform future service planning.	Carers ethnicity now recorded by CYC and York Carers Centre	Frances Perry CYC	Review September
	Use existing contact mechanisms with BME, multi-faith and multi-cultural groups to identify the numbers of carers from BME communities and take appropriate action	Work completed but no response to request to complete questionnaire Needs funding to complete targeted work.	Frances Perry CYC	2014 Review September
	City of York Council to review its equalities framework to ensure carers become part of all equality and inclusion work	York Carers Centre has place on Fairness and Equality Board.		2014

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Outcome	What we need to do	Achievements	Lead officer	Action required
Break provision: Ensure carers have access to a range of flexible breaks	Continue monitor supply and demand re all carers breaks schemes	Review of commissioned services completed summer 2013 – highlights demand for breaks is high and supply for funded breaks not met.	Frances Perry CYC	Review April 2015
	<b>NEW</b> Establish plans for Better Care Funding stream highlighted for carers breaks.	See above	Frances Perry CYC	Review June 2015
	Support additional breaks through small grants to carer support groups.	Successful pilot spring 2013, further funding spring 2014.	Frances Perry CYC	Review September 2015

<b>Technology:</b> Ensure carers have access to a range of services and support	Ensure telecare services are accessible to adults	Warden Call aware of carers as host the Carers Emergency Card.	Frances Perry CYC	Sept 2014 Request monitoring information from Be Independent re telecare and carers
	Ensure carers are aware of availability of and access to telehealth services and support	Ask Sarah	Sarah Kocinski VOYCCG	Review telehealth with regard to carers

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Income: Ensure carers have access to benefits and financial advice	Audit current benefits advice services available to carers <u>http://www.yorkcvs.org.uk/benefitsinyork</u>	List about how to access benefits available on YCVS website	Sian Balsom YVCS	Review June 2014
advice	<b>NEW:</b> Review impact of welfare benefits changes and access to advice.	No specific work completed	Frances Perry CYC	
	Ensure carers can access financial advice when the cared for enters residential care and at end of life	No specific work completed.		

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<b>Employment:</b> Carers should have access to employment	Monitor City of York Council's implementation of the action plan linked to the 'Carers Friendly Employer' charter mark	Last review March 2012 and this is no longer 'active'.	Frances Perry CYC	Review all June/Sept 2014
support and vocational training	Develop links with local businesses	Factsheet for employers produced	YCC	
	Roll out information about carers employment rights to employees and employers in York - NEW YCC looking at good practice in Gateshead and roll out of similar in York. Liaison with CYC around' Good Growth' agenda.	Ongoing	YCC	

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Prevention: Carers should have access to appropriate medical advice, and support about	Health commissioners and providers ensure greater consistency around identifying and addressing the needs of carers	Vale of York CCG actively promoting carer awareness in GP surgeries.	Sarah Kocinski VOYCCG	PRIORITY Review actions and best way
their own health needs <b>NHS:</b> Carers needs should be addressed in hospital admission	Health commissioners will work towards ensuring that all care pathways provide guidance on the information and advice carers will need	Back care project developed factsheets and a DVD: <u>www.youtube.com/wat</u> <u>ch?v=dHxzxXoEeyM</u> to support carers around back care and moving	YCC and YCF	forward re health outcomes in light of BCF/health and social care
and discharge procedures <b>Primary Care and</b> <b>GPs:</b> Primary care professionals should identify	To engage with the new NHS Commissioning bodies (Clinical Commissioning Groups) as they develop to promote carers issues and build on existing work in Primary, Community and Acute Care	and handling No success in identification of Carers Lead in acute trust.	Sarah Kocinski VOYCCG	integration • April 2014
carers ensuring appropriate support, signposting and referrals		Active engagement with Vale of York CCG. Decision in 2013 that health task group does not meet as current projects overseen by Carers Information Group.		

<b>Emotional</b> <b>Support:</b> Carers should have support to maintain their well being and reduce stress	Gap analysis did not produce useful information. Work completed to confirm carer access to Mental Health Support line and clarify referral process.	Sarah Kocinski VOYCCG	Review April 2014

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Universal services: Children have access to the support they need to learn, develop and thrive	Set up the Young Carers task group and action plan NEW Identify new lead from Children' Services and review membership of Task Group.	Task Group set up September 2011 but not met since 2012 due to long term sick leave of lead officer.	TBC CYC	Review April 2014
	Ongoing development of the work now established in schools which supports young carers <u>http://ycrtinytreasures.wordpress.com/</u> Information about Primary School Project	Carers Card rolled out in X secondary school and Young Carers Revolution engaged in active work re Primary School Project.	CYC	
	Task group to consider York LINk report (March 2011) recommendation: 'Young carers should be given help to get home access to computers' NEW Support Young Carers Revolution to continue and develop	Not achieved.		

Whole family support: Children and young people are protected from inappropriate caring.	NEW Ensure strategic links to implementation of Children and Young People's plan action: '(25) Further identify, and respond to, the needs of young carers' Implement the Common Assessment Framework (CAF) as the assessment tool for Young Carers Assessment: PRIORITY	CAF – 'Family Early Help Assessment' is the assessment tool. Monitoring initially not recording young carers	TBC CYC Ralph Edwards CYC	Link with YorOK Board's work Monitor young carers assesseme nts
Young adults have access to appropriate advice in relation to their transition into adulthood.	<ul> <li>NEW ensure successful monitoring of FEHAs and young carers</li> <li>Ensure adult services identify young carers in their assessment processes and paperwork</li> <li>NEW Monitor guidance re implementation of Children and Families Bill and Care Bill in young carers accessing assessments and support of whole family approaches.</li> </ul>	Agreement that question to identify young carers is included in CAAT team first contacts		Promote progress in whole family working

	Ensure effective sources of advice are available to young carers aged 16-18+		
	Promote support to all young adult carers	Successful development of young adults service at YCC and young adults network for professionals	Continue support of work with young adult carers.