Report to: **HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD** 

Relevant Board Member: Tracy Hopkins, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sector Representative

Relevant Cabinet Member: Councillor Jo Farrell, Cabinet Member for Adult Service and,

Community Health and Wellbeing

Date of Meeting: 8 March 2023

## **SOCIAL PRESCRIBING PRESENTATION**

## 1.0 Purpose of the report:

1.1 To inform the Board about Social Prescribing services across Blackpool including the model of delivery and the outcomes for people in our communities.

# 2.0 Recommendation(s):

2.1 To note the content of the presentation.

## 3.0 Reasons for recommendation(s):

- 3.1 To raise awareness of Social Prescribing and how it can link to the priorities of the Health and Wellbeing Board.
- 3.2 Is the recommendation contrary to a plan or strategy adopted or approved by the Council?
- 3.3 Is the recommendation in accordance with the Council's approved budget? Yes

#### 4.0 Other alternative options to be considered:

4.1 None, the report and presentation are for information only.

## 5.0 Council priority:

5.1 The relevant Council priority is: "Communities: Creating stronger communities and increasing resilience".

# 6.0 Background information

- 6.1 Citizens Advice Blackpool are part of a partnership with the Volunteer Centre that delivers Social Prescribing to people in Blackpool. Working with 4 Primary Care Networks the partnership (Let's Connect) has helped over 2,000 people since 2020. The presentation will demonstrate the need for social prescribing and how important it is to link it with other support in the community (advice services in particular). It will also inform the Board about who is being helped and provide some case studies of where people's health and wellbeing has improved.
- 6.2 Does the information submitted include any exempt information?

No

- 7.0 List of Appendices:
- 7.1 None.
- 8.0 Financial considerations:
- 8.1 None arising from the presentation.
- 9.0 Legal considerations:
- 9.1 None arising from the presentation.
- 10.0 Risk management considerations:
- 10.1 None arising from the presentation.
- **11.0** Equalities considerations:
- 11.1 None arising from the presentation.
- 12.0 Sustainability, climate change and environmental considerations:
- 12.1 None arising from the presentation.
- 13.0 Internal/external consultation undertaken:
- 13.1 None.

# 14.0 Background papers:

14.1 None.