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Minutes

Name of meeting HEALTH AND COMMUNITY WELLBEING SCRUTINY PANEL

Date and time WEDNESDAY, 27 JUNE 2012 COMMENCING AT 5.00 PM

Venue COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNTY HALL, NEWPORT, ISLE OF

WIGHT

Present Cllrs Margaret Webster (Chairman), George Cameron, Paul Fuller,

Arthur Taylor

Co-opted Member (Non-Voting)

Mr Paddy Noctor (Local Involvement Network)
Cllr David Williams (Hampshire Police Authority)

Cabinet member

present

Cllr Roger Mazillius

Officers Present Ian Anderson, Chris Mathews, Paul Thistlewood, Suzanne Wixey

Stakeholders Helen Shields (IW Clinical Commissioning Group), Gretel Ingham,

Chris Gale (Help and Care, IW LINk), Donna Collins, Gill Kennett,

Mark Price (IW NHS Trust)

1. Minutes

RESOLVED:

THAT the Minutes of the meeting held on 2 May 2012 be confirmed.

2. Declarations of Interest

Mr Paddy Noctor declared a personal interest in minute 3 and 4 due to his membership of the Local Involvement Network.

Cllr Paul Fuller declared a personal interest in minute 7 as he was a magistrate.

3. **Updates from partners**

a) Health and Wellbeing Board

Ian Anderson, Strategic Director for Community Wellbeing and Social Care gave an outline of key issues being dealt with by the shadow board. A review was being undertaken of the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and comments would be sought on priorities. The panel referred to the 2012 health profile for the Isle of Wight that had just been published. One area of concern highlighted was the level of adult obesity being worse than the national average. Members were made aware of work being done to address this through a range of actions involving a number of partners.

RESOLVED:

THAT the panel include in its workplan an item regarding adult obesity and the director of public health be invited to attend.

b) Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG)

Helen Shields, Director of Commissioning, reported on progress with the authorisation process and appointments to the CCG. Performance on key targets was largely on track. The main area of concern for the Group was its size which restricted its flexibility.

RESOLVED:

THAT the report be noted.

c) Local Involvement Network (LINk)

Paddy Noctor, Vice Chairman of the Stewardship Group, reported on activities undertaken by the LINk in recent months, and progress with its current reviews and areas where reviews were proposed. He indicated that there was a good response from users with regard to the review of community mental health services.

RESOLVED:

THAT the report be noted.

d) IWNHS Trust

Mark Price, Foundation Trust Programme Director, expanded on the details contained in his written report on the progress with the application to create a NHS Foundation Trust (FT) for the Island.

RESOLVED:

THAT the report be noted.

e) Transfer of public health functions to the council

lan Anderson, Strategic Director for Community Wellbeing and Social Care, advised the panel on the work being undertaken to transfer public health to the council. It was anticipated that the relevant funding

would remain unchanged. The views of the panel on providing an information update on the transfer were sought.

RESOLVED:

THAT all members of the council should be invited to an information seminar on the transfer of public health functions to the council.

4. Waiting times at pathology department, St Mary's Hospital

In February 2012 LINk had raised the concerns of the public about the waiting times experienced when attending the pathology department at St Mary's with the Trust. This had resulted in seven measures being introduced by the Trust to address this issue. Chris Gale from LINk gave a short powerpoint presentation on the matter.

Donna Collins, Associate Director (Acute Clinical Directorate), <u>circulated a report</u> detailing the current position regarding the phlebotomy service within the department and proposals for a complete review of it. The panel was made aware of steps that had already been taken to alleviate the waiting times. Discussions were also being held with GP's about extending the service to local surgeries and also improving the transport pickups for samples. It was intended to look at the layout of the facility at Swanmore Road, Ryde to see if improvements could be made there.

Members considered that there was an apparent lack of awareness by patients of those surgeries where phlebotomy services were offered. The ability to use a facility locally would also ease the demand on parking space at St Mary's. The intention of the Trust to provide additional parking at the hospital site was noted and details would be made available when this had been finalised.

A project team responsible for reviewing the phlebotomy service and introducing improvements had been established. It was likely that this exercise would take up to six months.

RESOLVED:

THAT the IWNHS Trust be requested to submit a report on the review of the phlebotomy service and resulting improvements in service delivery and availability in six months time.

5. <u>Establishment of integrated NHS/Adult Social Care crisis response and re-enablement service.</u>

A <u>powerpoint presentation</u> was made by Suzanne Wixey, Head of Commissioning Adult Social Care and Gill Kennett, Associate Director Community Health Directorate on the establishment of a joint short term crisis intervention and re-enablement service.

Due to pressures within the health and adult social care services it was necessary to look at delivering services in a more cost effective way. This would also involve greater partnership working with the third sector. An outline was given of the strategic vision behind the project. The elements of the project included nursing services linking in with the three GP clusters; a single point of access, referral, review co-ordination service; café clinics; additional pharmacy support and availability of GP access beds and urgent care nursing home beds.

It was not intended to create a new structure for the service but realign existing service provision and ensure optimum co-ordination between all partners and resources. A review of progress would be undertaken later in the year. This would not only look at the crisis response and re-enablement service but see if the benefits arising from the changes could be extended to other related areas.

RESOLVED:

THAT the report be noted.

6. Local Account (Adult Social Care)

The panel was advised of the requirement for the council to publish a self assessment statement on the delivery of its adult social care services during 2010/11. The report detailing this set out the five broad outcomes that the service was aimed at delivering and how these were being achieved.

RESOLVED:

THAT the Isle of Wight Local Account 2010/11 be accepted.

7. <u>Domestic Abuse and Gender based violence strategy</u>

The Strategic Director, in his role as chair of the Strategic Domestic Abuse Forum, supported the report through a <u>powerpoint presentation</u>. An overview of the national situation was given together with that specifically for the island. The need for a robust strategy was highlighted by the increase in domestic abuse crimes reported to the police. Additionally there were a high number of cases where children were involved.

The three priorities within the strategy were prevention and early intervention, service provision and effective protection. The key achievements during 2011 were noted together with the key aims for 2012/13. An area of concern related to securing the funding necessary for the delivery of the necessary actions to support the local priorities. This was due to the transfer of the relevant budget from the Island's Community Safety Partnership to the Police and Crime Commissioner for Hampshire and the Isle of Wight in November 2012. This budget was unlikely to be ringfenced.

Members discussed a range of issues related to domestic abuse. It was believed that in many cases alcohol was a contributing factor. Also the number of reported incidents was seen as only as a small proportion of the actual number of occurrences.

RESOLVED:

- a. THAT the figures for the number of males subjected to domestic abuse be obtained and circulated.
- b. THAT the Strategic Director be requested to investigate the inclusion of additional appropriate information being made available on the Pub Watch website relating to domestic abuse.
- c. THAT the number of successful prosecutions on the Island be made available to the panel together with how this compares nationally.
- d. THAT a further report be considered in six months time on progress with implementing the strategy and any issues relating to future funding of initiatives.

8. Quarterly performance and finance support – quarter 4 – 2011/12

Consideration was given to the performance information for quarter 4 2011/12 in relation to supporting older and vulnerable residents and housing and homelessness.

The cabinet member and strategic director indicated that there were no areas of concern.

RESOLVED:

THAT the report be noted.

9. Forward Plan and consultation

The panel was made aware of relevant items contained in the forward plan for July 2012 to October 2012. The consultation exercise regarding Healthwatch, as reported to the last meeting, had commenced.

RESOLVED:

THAT the issues be noted.

10. Progress report on recommendations and outcomes

The panel received a report showing progress with recommendations and outcomes from previous meetings. Of particular interest was the meeting of the Joint Committee of Primary Care Trusts on 4 July 2012 at which a

decision would be taken on the national review of children's congenital heart services.

RESOLVED;

THAT the report be noted.

CHAIRMAN