

M MINUTES

meeting: **HEALTH SCRUTINY PANEL**

date: **7 FEBRUARY 2013**

PRESENT:-

Councillors Darke (Chair), Ian Brookfield, Paula Brookfield, M Evans, M S Jaspal, P Singh and Turner

IN ATTENDANCE:-

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| J Grainger | - | Joint Commissioning Manager, Substance Misuse |
| V Griffin | - | Assistant Director- Health & Wellbeing, Community Directorate |
| Dr H Hibbs | - | Chief Operating Officer, Wolverhampton City Clinical Commissioning Group |
| A Lawley | - | Head of Estates and Facilities, Black Country PCT Cluster |
| D Loughton CBE | - | Chief Executive, Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust |
| A Smith | - | Wolverhampton City Clinical Commissioning Group, Modernisation Manager |
| J Viner | - | LINK Host Co-ordinator, Wolverhampton Voluntary Sector Council |
| R Young | - | Head of Commissioning, Sandwell PCT |
| L Banbury | - | Democratic Support Officer, Delivery Directorate |
| E Piggott-Smith | - | Scrutiny Officer, Delivery Directorate |

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:-

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor Shah and R Jervis, Director of Public Health

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PART I – OPEN ITEMS

BUSINESS ITEMS

Declarations of Interest

63. No interests were declared.

Minutes

64. Resolved:-
That the minutes of the meeting held on 13 December 2012 be approved as a correct record.

Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board

65. Pursuant to minute 58, the Scrutiny Officer circulated copies of the National Learning Network publication, entitled 'Stronger together', which provided detail as to how health and wellbeing boards could work effectively with partners.

The Panel reiterated their request for circulation of a diagrammatical representation of the membership and reporting arrangements for the Board.

Schedule of Outstanding Minutes (Appendix 32)

66. Resolved:-
That the report setting out a Schedule of Outstanding Minutes, together with an indicated of when it is expected that reports on individual items will be submitted for consideration, be received

Wolverhampton City Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) Development Update (Appendix 33)

The Wolverhampton CCG Modernisation Manager presented a report, which provided an update on progress in respect of the CCG and an outline of the Integrated Commissioning Plan. A first draft of the 'Plan on a page' was circulated at the meeting. Councillors were advised that the full Plan would be presented to the Health and Wellbeing Board; it was anticipated that the Plan would be signed off on 31 March 2013. A link could be provided to Councillors to allow them to view the full Plan.

The Chief Executive indicated that he was happy with the local priorities, but stressed that they should relate to all urgent care and not just the AEU. In response to a Councillor's question, the CCG Modernisation Manager undertook to provide the actual figures in respect the local priority outcomes.

It was acknowledged that the Plan focussed strongly on patient and public engagement and that the new structure for engagement could be shared with the Scrutiny Panel.

67. Resolved:-
- (a) That the report be received.
 - (b) That the following information be circulated to all Panel Members:-
 - I. current figures in respect of local priority target outcomes;
 - II. details of the link to the full Integrated Commissioning Plan, and
 - III. the proposed structure in regard to patient and public engagement.

Patient Misuse of Hospital Services (Appendix 34)

The Chief Executive presented a report, which provided statistics in regard to patients who attended the Accident and Emergency Department, together with information on action being undertaken by the Trust to provide advice to patients about alternative options for treatment. He drew attention to a change nationally, whereby there was no longer a significant increase in attendances on a regular basis during the winter period, with peaks actually occurring at different times of the year.

Responding to concerns expressed by Councillors in respect of service pressures affecting local residents caused by patients from outside the City attending the Accident and Emergency Department, the Chief Executive stated that, whilst he had some sympathy, the residents of Wolverhampton gained enormously from the fact that the hospital was a tertiary centre and that less than 50% of the Trust's income was derived from outside Wolverhampton.

With regard to the introduction of the new 111 national helpline for advice and guidance on health issues, national and local publicity campaigns were taking place to ensure there would be appropriate signposting to patients. It was noted that the local launch would include the provision of information in GP surgeries and that there would be automatic transfer should people ring the NHS Direct Line number.

68. Resolved:-
- (a) That the report be received.
 - (b) That information on publicity for the new national helpline for advice and guidance on health issues be circulated to all Scrutiny Panel Members.
 - (c) That a further update be presented to the Scrutiny Panel in Summer 2013.

Wolverhampton Substance Misuse Services Contract Award and Mobilisation (Appendix 35)

The Joint Commissioning Manager for Substance Misuse, presented a report, which provided information on the new integrated drug and alcohol service models for children, young people and adults.

Responding to a Councillor's question the Officer advised that Aquarius had been part of bidding process and, although acting under a new brand, would be an integral part of the partnership.

69. Resolved:-

(a) That the report be received.

(b) That information be presented to all Panel Members on the reporting lines in respect of the budget spend on this contract.

(c) That an update be presented to a future meeting of the Scrutiny Panel.

Current Position with Capital Programme and Identification of Sites for Development (Appendix 36)

The minutes of the meeting of the Health Scrutiny Panel (Capital Programme) Sub Group, held on 7 January 2013, were circulated with the agenda papers. The Head of Estates and Facilities, Black Country PCT Cluster provided a verbal update on progress with the three Primary Care Centre developments in Heath Town, The Scotlands and Bradley.

It was noted that the strategic outline case was to be re-visited in terms of the Heath Town Proposal as there was insufficient sign up to the business case. The outline business case was currently being prepared for the Scotlands proposal and was due to be presented to the Strategic Health Authority at the end of March. There was currently no defined timeline in respect of the Bilston Urban Village proposal.

Panel Members expressed appreciation in respect of establishment of the Capital Programme Sub Group, which enabled them to receive a clearer picture of the Capital Programme.

70. Resolved:-

That the report and verbal update be received.

Work Programme 2012/13 (Appendix 37)

The Scrutiny Officer presented an update on the work programme for this Scrutiny panel and, in doing so, indicated that there would be a number of additional items for consideration at the March meeting not listed in the report.

71. Resolved:-

(a) That the report be received.

(b) That an initial report on responses to the Francis Inquiry (implications for scrutiny) be presented to the next meeting, with a fuller report being presented to the first meeting of this Scrutiny Panel in the 2013/14 municipal year.