

CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **Health and Wellbeing Board**
held on Tuesday, 16th June, 2015 in Committee Suite 1,2 & 3, Westfields,
Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

PRESENT

Councillor Janet Clowes – Cheshire East Council
Councillor Rachel Bailey – Cheshire East Council
Councillor Michael Jones – Cheshire East Council
Councillor Sam Corcoran – Cheshire East Council

Mike Suarez – Chief Executive Cheshire East Council
Dr Heather Grimbaldeston – Director of Public Health Cheshire East Council
Jerry Hawker – Eastern Cheshire Clinical Commissioning Group
Brenda Smith – Director of Adult Social Care and Independent Living Cheshire East Council
Simon Whitehouse – Southern Cheshire Clinical Commissioning Group
Dr Andrew Wilson – South Cheshire Clinical Commissioning Group

Councillors in attendance:

Councillors Rhoda Bailey, G Hayes J Saunders and L Wardlaw

Officers in attendance:

Anita Bradley – Head of Legal and Governance
Guy Kilminster – Corporate Manager Health Improvement
Nigel Moorhouse – Director of Childrens Services
Cherry Foreman – Democratic Services Cheshire East Council

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Dr Paul Bowen (Eastern Cheshire Clinical Commissioning Group, and Tina Long (NHS England).

2 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN

Councillor J Clowes opened the meeting. In considering the appointment of a Chairman and Vice-Chairman for the 2015/16 Municipal Year she reported that unfortunately there was a difference in the appointment process set out in the 2012 legislation and in the Health and Wellbeing Board Terms of Reference previously approved by the Council.

In accordance with legal advice it was, therefore, proposed that a Task and Finish Group be established to investigate this issue, and also to look at the Terms of Reference as a whole to ensure that they were fit for purpose, and that their findings be considered at the next meeting of the Council. In the meantime it was proposed that Councillor J Clowes be appointed interim Chairman.

In addition it was noted that the meeting was inquorate as no representatives from Healthwatch were present which meant that no formal decisions could be made.

RESOLVED

1. That a Task and Finish Group be established to look at the Terms of Reference of the Board, and that it include a representative from the Clinical Commissioning Group.
2. That, pending the outcome of the Task and Finish Group Councillor J Clowes be appointed interim Chairman of the Health and Wellbeing Board.
3. That the Corporate Manager Health Improvement discuss with Healthwatch the difficulties caused by their non-attendance.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor S Corcoran declared a personal interest by virtue of his wife being a GP and a member of the south Cheshire GPs Alliance Ltd.

4 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

As the meeting was inquorate it was proposed that the approval of the Minutes be deferred until the next meeting.

AGREED

That approval of the minutes be deferred until the next meeting of the Board.

5 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME/OPEN SESSION

No members of the public wished to speak.

6 BETTER CARE FUND UPDATE (STANDING ITEM)

Consideration was given to this report which provided the Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) with an update on the progress of the Better Care Fund Section 75 Partnership Agreement; the Board being responsible for its oversight and delivery during 2015/16.

Revised delivery dates for signing the s75 Agreements had been agreed at the last meeting but as the timeframe for reporting to NHS England was not in line with the next meeting of the HWB (29th May v 16th June respectively) responsibility for sign-off of the NHS England return had been delegated to the Chairman of the HWB for this to be done electronically.

It was reported that both South Cheshire CCG and Eastern Cheshire CCG had signed their s75 agreements as of 29th May 2015 and these were executed by Cheshire East Council's Legal Services department on 1st June 2015.

The required report for NHS England had been submitted on 27th May 2015 following sign-off from the Chair of the HWB. This report was focussed on allocations, budgets and national conditions rather than the high level budgets which future returns are expected to focus upon, and a copy was attached to the report.

The report detailed the next steps and confirmed that the NHS England return would be formally presented for sign off at the next meeting of the Committee.

In response to a question from a member it was agreed that evidence in respect of the answers to whether or not the spending round conditions were on track be circulated to the HWB for information.

AGREED

That the report be noted.

7 QUALITY PREMIUM 2015-16

The Board considered an overview of the Quality Premium 2015/16 national measures and a summary of the national guidance, which had been published on 25 April 2015. The Board was asked to support the national measures and the two local priorities the NHS South Cheshire Clinical Commissioning Group had selected for 2015/16.

The quality premium to be paid to CCGs in 2016/17 would reflect the quality of the health services commissioned by them in 2015/16. The measures would be based on a combination of national and local priorities, these being reducing potential years of life lost, the urgent and emergency health care menu, the mental health menu and improving antibiotic prescribing. The two local measures identified were Lung Cancer – Record Stage at Diagnosis, and Estimated Diagnosis Rates of Dementia.

It was confirmed that whilst the health and wellbeing of children and young people was not set out specifically in any of the targets they were not precluded; it was agreed that the inclusion of this cohort be made more explicit in the documentation.

AGREED

That approval be given in principle to the CCG Quality Premium measures and local priorities for 2015/16 to be agreed at the next quorate meeting of the Board.

8 FUTURE PRIORITIES

(Cllr M Jones left the meeting during discussion of this item.)

Consideration was given to a report by the Director of Public Health on the progress made by the Health and Wellbeing Board over the last two years and to the areas on which it was proposed to focus in the future, these having been drawn from a workshop held earlier in the year.

The report listed ten priorities for future focus, including the development of a more robust work plan and also how best to engage with the public and stakeholders as there was a perception that communications needed to be improved. The success of similar schemes in Manchester, Northumbria and Tower Hamlets was cited and it was thought that there needed to be a smaller number of priorities.

Councillor S Corcoran circulated a further list of ideas for consideration by the Board and it was agreed that these be considered further; it was, however, noted that some of these suggestions might/could be dealt with elsewhere such the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA).

It was agreed that a Task and Finish Group, comprising Dr A Wilson, P Bowen (pending his agreement), H Grimbaldston and J Hawker, be established to prepare a set o priorities and a work programme. In addition it was agreed that the JSNA Strategy Group be reconvened and refreshed and that it review the achievements to date.

AGREED

1. That a Task and Finish Group be set up to prepare a list of priorities and work programme for consideration at the next meeting of the Committee.
2. That the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment Strategy Group be reconvened to review its achievements to date.

The meeting commenced at 2.00 pm and concluded at 3.15 pm

Councillor (none)