

CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a virtual meeting of the
Cheshire East Health and Wellbeing Board
held on Tuesday, 24th November, 2020

PRESENT

Voting Members

Councillor S Corcoran (Chairman)
Councillor Kathryn Flavell, Cheshire East Council
Councillor Laura Jeuda, Cheshire East Council
Mark Palethorpe, Cheshire East Council
Dr Matt Tyrer, Cheshire East Council
Dr Andrew Wilson (Vice-Chairman)
Clare Watson, NHS Cheshire CCG
Louise Barry, Healthwatch Cheshire
Steven Michael, Cheshire East Health and Care Partnership
John Wilbraham, Cheshire East Integrated Care Partnership

Non-Voting Members

Lorraine O'Donnell, Cheshire East Council

Associate Non-voting Members

Councillor Janet Clowes, Cheshire East Council
Superintendent Peter Crowcroft, Cheshire Constabulary
Chris Hart, Cheshire East Social Action Partnership
Caroline Whitney, CVS Cheshire East

Cheshire East Council Officers/Others

Guy Kilminster, Cheshire East Council
Katie Jones, Cheshire East Council
Rachel Graves, Cheshire East Council
Madeleine Lowry, Cheshire and Wirral Partnership NHS Trust
Alan Yates, Cheshire and Merseyside Health and Care Partnership
Geoffrey Appleton, Cheshire East Safeguarding Adults Board

21 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Dr Patrick Kearns and Councillor Jill Rhodes.

22 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor S Corcoran declared a non-pecuniary interest by virtue of his wife being a GP.

23 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 22 September 2020 be approved as a correct record.

24 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME/OPEN SESSION

There were no public speakers.

25 CHESHIRE AND MERSEYSIDE HEALTH AND CARE PARTNERSHIP

The Board received a presentation from Alan Yates, Chair of Cheshire and Merseyside Health and Care Partnership, which provided an overview on the Partnership including the make-up of the Partnership, its vision and aims, the importance of Place, and an explanation of the role of the Partnership Board, Partnership Assembly, Partnership Co-ordination Group and the Partnership Executive.

RESOLVED:

That the presentation be received.

26 'TEST, TRACE, CONTAIN, ENABLE' UPDATE

Dr Matt Tyrer gave an update on the Test, Track, Contain and Enable system.

He reported that there was currently a downward trajectory in infection rate in Cheshire East and it was presently at around 100 per 100,000. There had also been a decline in the number of admissions to hospital in the region.

Staff were receiving training for the local track and trace services, which was due to go live shortly. This service would focus initially on the areas with the highest positive test results and would be rolled out to cover the whole of Cheshire East. The local track and trace service did not replace the national track and trace system but was complementary to it.

Discussions were taking place with the Government on carrying out mass asymptomatic testing in Cheshire East. This would be via two types of test either a saliva test or a lateral flow test. Any testing would not be on a mass scales as in Liverpool but targeted to specific areas. The Government had announced that visitors to care homes could be tested and the Public Health Team were looking at how this would operate.

The Government was due to announce which tier of restrictions Cheshire East could be in at the end of the lockdown.

RESOLVED:

That the verbal update be noted.

27 SAFEGUARDING ADULTS BOARD ANNUAL REPORT 2019-2020

The Board considered the Annual Report of Safeguarding Adults Board 2019/20, in order to keep the Board apprised of the work of the Safeguarding Adults Board. Geoffrey Appleton, Independent Chair of Cheshire East Safeguarding Adults Board, attended the meeting to present the report.

During 2019/20 the Safeguarding Adults Board had focussed on modern slavery, sexual abuse and organisational abuse and the Annual Report detailed the matters considered in these areas. The Report also highlighted the work undertaken by the Services Subgroup, Serious Case Subgroup, Quality & Performance Subgroup and the Learning and Development Subgroup.

The Annual Report set out the five key priorities for Safeguarding Adults Board (SAB) in 2020/21, which had been revised in response to the Covid-19 pandemic and were as follows:

- the SAB will continue to fulfil its legal duties during the Pandemic
- the SAB will continue to promote Making Safeguarding Personal
- the SAB will continue to link with other Boards, particularly the Safer Cheshire East Partnership, to consider and address cross cutting themes
- the SAB will seek assurances and recognise the hard work of organisations are undertaking to deliver safe services
- the SAB will continue to promote positive practice

RESOLVED: That

- 1 the Annual Report of Safeguarding Adults Board 2019/20 be received and noted; and
- 2 the five key priorities for 2020/21 be noted.

28 CHESHIRE EAST INTEGRATED CARE PARTNERSHIP UPDATE

The Board received an update on the work of the Cheshire East Integrated Care Partnership.

The Partnership had been in discussions with NHS Cheshire CCG had on the proposed devolvement of commissioning to the Integrated Care Partnership (ICP). This would require significant work to understand what would sit within the ICP and be commissioned at this level and would also require the transfer of resources from the CCG to develop the proposals and implement the options within a short timeframe.

The Partnership was still responding to the challenges of the Covid pandemic including the proposals for the vaccine and the increase of numbers in hospitals and challenges faced by care homes.

RESOLVED:

That the update be received.

29 CHESHIRE EAST PLACE PARTNERSHIP UPDATE

The Board received an update on the Cheshire East Place Partnership.

It was reported that work was continuing with the development of the integrated care partnership with the governance arrangements having been approved and work commencing on the four key target areas – cardiovascular health, children’s health, mental wellbeing and social prescribing and respiratory health.

Steven Michael thanked Mark Palethorpe, Executive Director Place, on behalf of the Partnership, for his work as the Place lead on the Partnership.

RESOLVED:

That the update be noted.

The meeting commenced at 2.00 pm and concluded at 3.10 pm

Councillor S Corcoran (Chairman)