# MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE SCRUTINY PANEL HELD AT THE TOWN HALL, NELSON ON 28<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2016

PRESENT -

# Panel Members - Councillors

W. Blackburn

K. Hartley

K. Turner

S. Wicks

#### Also in attendance:

Councillor D. Lord

Lisa Cunliffe East Lancashire Clinical Commissioning Group Kirsty Hollis East Lancashire Clinical Commissioning Group

Helen Hedges Critical Friends East Lancashire
Yvonne Hope Critical Friends East Lancashire

Lynne Rowland Committee Administrator (Pendle Borough Council)

(Apologies for absence were received from Panel Members Councillors M. Adams and N. McEvoy. Apologies were also received from Councillors G. Adam, R. Allen, M. R. Arshad, S. Cockburn-Price, T. Cooney, M. Goulthorp, M. Igbal, J. Purcell, J. Starkie and D. Whalley.)

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#### 1. APPOINTMENT OF PANEL LEADER

# **AGREED**

That Councillor Ken Hartley be appointed as Panel Leader for the municipal year 2016/17.

# 2. MINUTES

## **AGREED**

That the minutes of the meeting of the Panel held on 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2016 be approved as a correct record.

# 3. PRIMARY CARE CONSULTATION

All members of the Council had been invited to the meeting to hear a presentation by East Lancashire Clinical Commissioning Group (ELCCG) on proposals to improve access to GP services in East Lancashire. A consultation on the proposals was due to close on 8<sup>th</sup> July.

The Panel Leader welcomed Kirsty Hollis, ELCCG's Acting Chief Finance Officer and Lisa Cunliffe, the Primary Care Development Manager to the meeting.

They began the presentation by explaining why the changes had been proposed and what engagement had taken place with the public and patients to determine what was good/less good

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about primary care and to identify priorities for change. Once the priorities had been identified, a set of guiding principles had been developed to inform the development of the proposed service delivery model.

The proposed model included providing access to routine GP services from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. by one call to your local practice. Every locality would have access to a health hub by offering additional GP or specialist nurse appointments from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday as well as an urgent care service from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. This would be in addition to the minor injuries unit and the GP out of hours service and an alternative to the current Walk in Centre at Accrington Victoria Community Hospital. Although the localities for the health hubs had been identified, the premises had not yet been determined.

It was proposed that the whole system would be integrated and, subject to the patient's consent, could allow secure and confidential access to a patient's full medical record. This would be subject to tight controls by the use of smart cards which would restrict levels of access. The possibility of patients holding their own password was also being explored.

Following the presentation Kirsty and Lisa answered questions from the Panel and noted any comments and concerns.

## **AGREED**

That representatives of East Lancashire Clinical Commissioning Group be invited to attend the February 2017 meeting of the Panel, to provide an update on the outcome of the consultation on improving access to GP services in East Lancashire.

## 4. WORK PROGRAMME 2016/17

A briefing note and draft work programme was submitted for consideration.

## **AGREED**

- (1) That, as agreed at minute 3, an update on the outcome of the consultation on improving access to GP services in East Lancashire be considered at the February, 2017 meeting of the Panel.
- (2) That a representative from the Lancashire and South Cumbria Change Programme be invited to present an update to the December meeting of the Panel.
- (3) That an update on the new service provided by Inspire Integrated Substance Misuse Service be submitted to the December meeting of the Panel.
- (4) That West Craven Committee continue to take the lead on monitoring the work of North West Ambulance Service and Councillor Hartley, as Leader of the Panel and member of West Craven Committee be asked to provide a statistical update to this Panel where appropriate.
- (5) That, subject to the above, the draft work programme for 2016/17 be agreed.

# 5. SCRUTINY REVIEWS

# (a) Mental Health in the Community, Care Homes and Mental Health Wards

The Panel considered a briefing note which provided further information on the mental health and support services available. This included information on local provision and work that had been carried out nationally. Details of a large number of services/initiatives were provided as an appendix to the report.

It was noted that the evidence gathered so far related largely to mental health provision in the community.

## **AGREED**

That the work on mental health care provision in the community be concluded and work commence on gathering information on the mental health care provision in care homes, to be considered at the October meeting of the Panel.

# (b) Adult Social Care – Recommissioning of Homecare Services

The Committee Administrator provided an update on Lancashire County Council's proposals to recommission homecare services for older adults and people with a physical disability.

The Panel had previously been advised that the process had been put on hold in 2015 after reaching its third phase, as it had become vulnerable to challenge.

Since then, a number of new documents had been developed for the new framework and these were due to go out for consultation with providers by the end of the month. It was expected to go out to tender in August, 2016.

## **AGREED**

That a further update be provided to the December meeting of the Panel.

# 6. FRACTURE CLINIC

As agreed at the last meeting, the concerns of the Panel with regard to the relocation of the fracture clinic from Burnley General Hospital to the Royal Blackburn Hospital had been conveyed to ELCCG and East Lancashire Hospitals Trust (ELHT).

The Committee Administrator reported that ELCCG was continuing to work with colleagues at ELHT and a formal response was awaited. The ELCCG Executive Team was due to discuss the matter and would formally respond to the Panel accordingly.

## **AGREED**

That the Chief Executive of East Lancashire Hospitals Trust be invited to attend the next meeting of the Panel.

## 7. CHANGING PLACES

Following agreement that a Changing Places Toilet Facility be installed at Stanley Villas, Albert Road, Colne it was reported that funding of £15,000 had been received from Lancashire County Council. As a result, the equipment had been ordered and was currently being manufactured. It was reported that this process would take approximately six weeks and would then require a further two weeks for installation. The premises would open on completion of staff training which was likely to take a further two weeks. Members were invited to view the site.

## **AGREED**

That, once open, the facility be promoted on the Council's website.

## 8. CLINICAL COMMISSIONING GROUP UPDATE

The minutes of the February meeting of the Pendle Locality Commissioning Steering Group were submitted for information. A discussion was held with regard to minute 11.0, in particular Social Prescribing and the Community Resilience Fund.

## **AGREED**

That further information be sought on Social Prescribing and in particular the source of the £750,000 social prescribing fund.

# 9. LANCASHIRE AND SOUTH CUMBRIA CHANGE PROGRAMME

Following attendance at a recent awareness briefing, Councillors Wayne Blackburn and Ken Turner provided information on the Lancashire and South Cumbria Change Programme. The Programme had been established to develop a long term strategy to address the health and wellbeing of the population in Lancashire and South Cumbria.

Answers to a number of frequently asked questions had been circulated to all Members prior to the meeting.

It was reported that the programme had reached the stage of developing the Case for Change, a document which would set out the challenges over the next five years and beyond. In September, 2016 there would be Sounding Board events in five areas of Lancashire. These would consist of around 50 representatives from the public, service users, key opinion leaders, clinical/non-clinical staff and councillors who would be able to challenge and contribute to the programme.

# **AGREED**

That a request be made for Councillor Wayne Blackburn to represent the Health and Social Care Scrutiny Panel on the upcoming Sounding Boards.