MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE SCRUTINY PANEL HELD AT THE TOWN HALL, NELSON ON 13TH DECEMBER, 2016

PRESENT-

Councillor K. Hartley – Panel Leader (In the Chair)

Panel Members - Councillors

M. Adams W. Blackburn K. Turner S. Wicks

Also in attendance:

Lisa CunliffeEast Lancashire Clinical Commissioning GroupYvonne HopeCritical Friends East LancashireAnne ThompsonKelbrook and Sough Parish CouncilLynne RowlandCommittee Administrator (Pendle Borough Council)

(Apologies for absence were received from Councillor N. McEvoy.)

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MINUTES

AGREED

That the minutes of the meeting of the Panel held on 18th October, 2016 be approved as a correct record.

30. EXTENDED ACCESS TO PRIMARY CARE

Lisa Cunliffe, Primary Care Development Manager at East Lancashire Clinical Commissioning Group (ELCCG) gave a presentation on the results of a consultation on proposals to improve access to GP services.

She provided information on the level of engagement that had taken place and an analysis of those that had responded in terms of postcode, gender, age group and ethnicity. It was reported that overall, of those that had responded, three in four had agreed with the proposed new model.

The survey had also given people the opportunity to make any comments on the proposals and a summary of the key themes from Pendle respondents was provided.

Throughout the presentation, Lisa answered questions from those present, which included a request for a further breakdown of the responses received. A request was also made for a council representative to be included in discussions moving forward.

31. SCRUTINY REVIEWS

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

Health and Social Care Scrutiny Panel (13.12.2016)

A draft report following a scrutiny review of mental health care in the community, care homes and mental health wards was submitted for approval, prior to submission to Scrutiny Management Team in January, 2017.

RESOLVED

That the draft report on the scrutiny review of mental health care in the community, care homes and mental health wards be approved for submission to Scrutiny Management Team.

(b) Drug and alcohol rehabilitation provision in East Lancashire

A draft report following a scrutiny review of drug and alcohol rehabilitation provision in East Lancashire was submitted for consideration. The Panel was asked to agree conclusions and recommendations for submission to the next meeting of Scrutiny Management Team.

RESOLVED

- (1) That consideration of the draft report on the scrutiny review of drug and alcohol rehabilitation provision in East Lancashire be deferred to the next meeting of the Panel.
- (2) That, in the meantime, Panel members be asked to consider conclusions and recommendations and forward any suggestions to Committee Services for inclusion in the final report.

(c) 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.

She advised that documents had been developed for the new framework and the tender had been published on 9th December, 2016. Briefing events were to be held week commencing 9th January, 2017, prior to the tender return deadline of 10.00 a.m. on 7th February, 2017.

It was proposed to evaluate the responses between February and April, 2017 with notification of the outcome taking place in May, 2017. This timeframe allowed for commencement of the new framework in August 2017.

RESOLVED

- (1) That the position be noted.
- (2) That this Panel continues to monitor progress with the recommissioning of homecare services and includes it as an item in the 2017/18 work programme.

32. REVIEW MONITORING

Eye Care Provision

Following on from the Panel's review of eye care provision in East Lancashire, Members received an update from ELCCG on the integrated eye service, which was launched in October, 2015.

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It was noted that, overall, the service was working well. It was continually being evaluated in various ways including data scrutiny; clinical audits; patient questionnaires; new innovations; and benchmarking clinical thresholds to ensure that the service was working efficiently and effectively.

A brief update on developments was circulated at the meeting.

RESOLVED

That further information be sought on the Virtual Glaucoma Clinic which went live on 5th December, 2016 at Burnley General Hospital and Royal Blackburn Hospital.

33. LANCASHIRE AND SOUTH CUMBRIA SUSTAINABILITY AND TRANSFORMATION PLAN UPDATE

Further to a discussion held at the last meeting of the Panel, the Strategic Director provided an update on the Lancashire and South Cumbria Sustainability and Transformation Plan (LSC STP) and the corresponding Pennine Lancashire Local Delivery Plan.

Lancashire and South Cumbria had been identified as one of the 44 STP footprint areas and this was being driven through the Lancashire and South Cumbria Change Programme previously known as Healthier Lancashire.

Some key objectives were listed in the report. It was noted that the STP set out ambitious plans to develop sustainable, local accountable care systems and place-based new models of care across the footprint. All this was aimed at preventing ill health and reducing the reliance on services provided within acute hospitals.

It was reported that a series of workshops, events and engagement activities had been held to engage partners, key stakeholders and the public in the development of the Pennine Lancashire Local Delivery Plan. A number of priorities had been identified and these were listed in the report.

Members were reminded of an information session on this issue which was to be held prior to the next Council meeting on 15th December.

RESOLVED

- (1) That the Lancashire and South Cumbria Sustainability and Transformation Plan and the Pennine Lancashire Local Delivery Plan be noted.
- (2) That the possibility of further Member training on this topic be explored.

34. ISSUES REFERRED TO LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

At the last meeting of this Panel, Members referred two topics to Lancashire County Council's (LCC's) Health Scrutiny Committee for consideration. The first was relating to end of life nursing care, and the second was a request for the Committee to consider carrying out inspections of care homes and nursing homes in Pendle.

Health and Social Care Scrutiny Panel (13.12.2016)

The Scrutiny Management Team Chairman, Councillor K. Turner advised that he had met with the Chairman of LCC's Health Scrutiny Committee to discuss the issues in further detail and reported that the Committee would not be carrying out a review on either topic. However, they would offer their support if we identified any concerns that needed referring to the Care Quality Commission.

Reference was made to the information provided at the last meeting regarding Critical Friends East Lancashire commencing research into end of life nursing care early in the New Year. It was agreed that, with appropriate permissions, Critical Friends East Lancashire be put in contact with the individual who first raised the issue.

35.

WORK PLAN

The Panel's work plan 2016/17 was submitted for information.

Consideration was given to a request from Council that 'causes and issues raised by the Public Health Profile' be added to the Panel's work programme.

RESOLVED

That it be agreed that the causes and issues raised by the Public Health Profile will be addressed in the Panel's regular updates on the Pennine Lancashire Transformation Programme and therefore a separate review is not required.

CHAIRMAN _____