

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE SCRUTINY PANEL
HELD AT THE TOWN HALL, NELSON
ON 21ST JUNE, 2017**

PRESENT –

Panel Members - Councillors

G. Adam
W. Blackburn
B. Newman

K. Turner
S. Wicks

Also in attendance:

Councillor Ken Hartley
Neil Greaves

*Executive Member for Health and Wellbeing
Communications and Engagements Manager (Healthier Lancashire
and South Cumbria)*

Gary Raphael
Gill Dickson

*Finance Director for the Sustainability and Transformation Plan
Localities, Communities and Policies Officer (Lead for Health and
Climate Change) (Pendle Borough Council)*

Helen Hedges
Yvonne Hope
Lynne Rowland

*Critical Friends East Lancashire
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Committee Administrator (Pendle Borough Council)*

A further three members of the public attended the meeting.

(Apologies for absence were received from Councillors M. Adams, Nawaz Ahmed, S. Cockburn-Price, M. Goulthorp, D. Lord, N. McEvoy, P. McCormick, J. Purcell and C. Wakeford).



1. APPOINTMENT OF PANEL LEADER

Members were asked to appoint a Panel Leader for the municipal year 2017/18.

AGREED

That Councillor Wayne Blackburn be appointed as Panel Leader for the municipal year 2017/18.

Councillor W. Blackburn – Panel Leader (In the Chair)

2. MINUTES

AGREED

That the minutes of the meeting of the Panel held on 14th February, 2017 be approved as a correct record.

**3. LANCASHIRE AND SOUTH CUMBRIA SUSTAINABILITY
AND TRANSFORMATION PLAN UPDATE**

Health and Social Care Scrutiny Panel (21.06.2017)

All members of the Council had been invited to the meeting to hear an update on progress with the Lancashire and South Cumbria Sustainability and Transformation Plan (STP).

Neil Greaves, the Communications and Engagements Manager of Healthier Lancashire and South Cumbria and Gary Raphael, the Finance Director for the STP gave a presentation on the changes to be delivered across Lancashire and South Cumbria.

These were being delivered under one Sustainability and Transformation Partnership called Healthier Lancashire and South Cumbria, a partnership of organisations that were working together to improve health and care across the region.

Pennine Lancashire was one of five regions (Local Delivery Partnership areas) of Healthier Lancashire and South Cumbria that had developed a local plan which broadly followed the principles behind the draft STP.

Eight priority workstreams had been identified as follows, with some pieces of work being carried out across the whole footprint area –

- Prevention and Population Health
- Primary and Community Care
- Regulated Care Sector
- Urgent and Emergency Care
- Acute and Specialised Services
- Children and Young People's Health and Wellbeing
- Learning Disabilities
- Mental Health

Examples of changes that had already been made in areas of Lancashire and South Cumbria were provided.

During a discussion about perceived lack of consultation it was explained that, in the first instance, a professional view had been provided to NHS England to form the basis of the draft STP. In some cases, specific things had to be achieved in essential areas and were therefore not subject to public consultation. However, any suggestions for changes etc. would be put out to consultation.

Service change across the wider Lancashire and South Cumbria region would involve four Health Overview and Scrutiny Committees (Lancashire County Council, Cumbria County Council and Blackburn with Darwen and Blackpool Unitary Authorities). It was suggested that this could be more productive if an overarching scrutiny committee was appointed.

It was recognised that communication needed to improve; public engagement increased; and points of contact publicised. Action was being taken to address this.

Throughout the presentation, they answered questions from those present.

4. WORK PROGRAMME 2017/18

Committee Services submitted a briefing note and draft work programme for Members to consider what issues to include in the Panel's work programme for the next 12 months.

AGREED

- (1) That 6 monthly updates be requested on –
 - the Integrated Care Service provided by the East Lancashire Hospitals Trust (ELHT) and East Lancashire Clinical Commissioning Group (ELCCG)
 - improved access to GP services
- (2) That the 2017/18 draft work programme, as submitted, be agreed.

5. SCRUTINY REVIEWS

(a) Highlighting the symptoms of Sepsis

At the February meeting of the Panel, Members had agreed to a request from Councillor Julie Henderson to include a review on highlighting the symptoms of Sepsis in the Panel's 2017/18 work programme.

A briefing note was submitted which provided information on why the topic had been chosen for review. The Panel was asked to consider how it wished to proceed.

AGREED

- (1) That an appropriate representative of the NHS be invited to the next meeting of the Panel to discuss the topic in further detail.
- (2) In the meantime, enquiries be made to establish what information is currently available relating to the signs, symptoms and action required in relation to Sepsis, and the level of publicity being carried out.

(b) Adult Social Care – Recommissioning of Homecare Services

Committee Services submitted an update on progress with the recommissioning of homecare services for older adults and people with a physical disability being carried out by Lancashire County Council (LCC).

The Panel had first heard of the proposals in September 2014 and since then had been monitoring progress. Various setbacks had meant that the timeframe had slipped significantly from the original proposal to have contracts in place from November, 2015. It was now expected that contracts would be awarded in August, 2017, with the new framework commencing in November.

The Panel expressed concern at the proposals and the effect the delay had had on providers and had a number of questions that they wished to put to LCC.

AGREED

That Lead Officers of LCC and the Care Quality Commission be asked to attend the next meeting of the Panel to answer questions relating to the recommissioning of homecare services and the monitoring of care provided.

6.

REVIEW UPDATE

Scrutiny review of drug and alcohol rehabilitation provision in East Lancashire

Following the Panel's review of drug and alcohol rehabilitation provision in East Lancashire, Committee Services submitted an update on the service provided by Inspire Integrated Substance Misuse Service (Inspire).

Inspire delivered an adult treatment service in the area and were leaders in adapting the Community Delivery Model of working. A list of community venues had been provided in the final report of the Panel and this had since been expanded with the addition of the following –

- Grassroots Centre at St Phillips, Leeds Road, Nelson
- Open Door Café, Colne (near future)
- Health Centres in Barnoldswick , Earby, Nelson and Colne

AGREED

That a letter of thanks and commendation be sent to Inspire for their valuable work in helping people break free from drug and alcohol addiction.

CHAIRMAN _____