

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE SCRUTINY PANEL
HELD AT THE TOWN HALL, NELSON
ON 13TH FEBRUARY, 2018**

PRESENT –

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

Panel Members - Councillors

*B. Newman
K. Turner
S. Wicks*

Also in attendance:

*Councillor A. Mahmood
Councillor K. Shore
Councillor D. Whalley
Dionne Standbridge
Helen Hedges
Yvonne Hope
Lynne Rowland*

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

(Apologies for absence were received from Councillors G. Adam, M. Adams, N. Ahmed, D. Clegg, S. Cockburn-Price, J. Cooney, K. Hartley, M. Iqbal, D. Lord, J. Nixon and J. Starkie.)

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30. MINUTES

AGREED

That the minutes of the meeting of the Panel held on 12th December, 2017 be approved as a correct record.

31. TOGETHER A HEALTHIER FUTURE UPDATE

All members of the Council had been invited to the meeting to hear an update on Together a Healthier Future, the Local Delivery Plan that had been set up to help improve the health and care system in Pennine Lancashire. This was part of the wider vision for Lancashire and South Cumbria Sustainability and Transformation Partnership (STP).

The update was presented by Dionne Standbridge, the Programme Director of the Together a Healthier Future Transformation Programme. She began by providing information on the structure of the Lancashire and South Cumbria STP, its work programme, and where the Local Delivery Partnership sat within it.

A statistical analysis had been carried out to develop a Case for Change for Pennine Lancashire and a snapshot of the figures was provided for information. The Panel was also provided with details of the New Model of Care.

Since the start of the process, public, workforce and stakeholder engagement had taken place, details of which were referenced in the presentation. It was explained that this had helped shape a draft Pennine Plan which had been published for comment in December 2017. An easy read guide to the draft Plan was circulated at the meeting.

The presentation was followed by a question and answer session.

32. SCRUTINY REVIEWS

Adult Social Care – Recommissioning of Homecare Services

An update on progress with the recommissioning of homecare services being carried out by Lancashire County Council (LCC) was submitted for information.

It was noted that the new framework and contracts had commenced on 13th November 2017 and until now, the process had gone smoothly. The situation was being monitored on a daily basis.

The transfer of people who currently received home care from non-framework provider to a framework provider or to a direct payment was expected to take place between February and December this year.

As previously reported, the Health and Social Care Scrutiny Panel had been monitoring the recommissioning of homecare services since it first heard of the proposals in September 2014 and, as this was still an ongoing process, it was felt that this should continue.

However, a change in Pendle Council's governance arrangements meant that there would no longer be a Scrutiny Committee following the Annual Council meeting in May.

Although it was proposed that a Standing Panel continue to look at health issues, this Scrutiny Panel would no longer operate in its current form.

Members were therefore asked to consider how they wished to proceed.

AGREED

That the proposed Standing Health Panel or similar appropriate body be recommended to continue monitoring the recommissioning of homecare services currently being carried out by Lancashire County Council.

33. DEMENTIA FRIENDLY LANCASHIRE 2018 - 2023

The Panel was invited to comment on LCC's draft Dementia Strategy – Dementia Friendly Lancashire 2018 – 2023.

The Strategy outlined the County Council's vision to make a positive difference to the lives of people with dementia in Lancashire.

Members were encouraged to submit their comments via the LCC website by noon on Wednesday 28th February 2018.

A report on progress with developing a Dementia Friendly Pendle was also submitted for information. This was added to with a verbal update from Councillor David Whalley, the Council's Older People and Dementia Member Champion, who provided details of recent and upcoming public awareness events.

34. DAY CARE FACILITIES

At the request of the Panel, the lack of day care facilities in East Lancashire had been highlighted with the Member of Parliament for Pendle and the Department of Health following concern over the issue of isolation and loneliness for many people in the area.

The response was circulated at the meeting and provided information on the work currently being carried out by Government to tackle loneliness. This included the recent appointment of a Minister for Loneliness.

The Panel was also directed to the LCC report 'Hidden from view: tackling social isolation and loneliness in Lancashire report and toolkit' which was available on the LCC website www.lancashire.gov.uk.

35. PENDLE HEALTH AND WELLBEING PARTNERSHIP BOARD

The notes of the Pendle Health and Wellbeing Partnership Board meeting held on 14th December, 2017 were submitted for information.

36. CLINICAL COMMISSIONING GROUP UPDATE

The minutes of the Pendle Locality Clinical Commissioning Steering Group held on 9th November were submitted for information.

It was noted that Helen Hedges was no longer a patient representative on the Group, after having served a term of three years.

37. WORK PROGRAMME 2017/18

As referred to at minute 32, a change in Pendle Council's governance arrangements meant that the Health and Social Care Scrutiny Panel would no longer operate following the Annual Council meeting in May.

However it had been proposed that a Standing Panel would continue to look at health issues. It had also been suggested that consideration be given to amalgamating this Panel with the CCG Steering Group and the Pendle Health and Wellbeing Partnership Board.

The Panel was therefore asked to consider a briefing note on how to take forward any ongoing issues from its work programme.

At the request of the Panel, the Scrutiny Management Team had agreed to receive an East Lancashire CCG presentation on progress with improved access to GP services at its next meeting.

Matters that required further consideration included –

- the current regular monitoring of the Pendle Health and Wellbeing Action Plan and the Pendle Older People's Plan
- the possible introduction of a local Community Care Navigator Project
- recommissioning of homecare services

AGREED

- (1) That the proposed Standing Health Panel or similar appropriate body be asked to continue with the regular monitoring of the Pendle Health and Wellbeing Action Plan, the Pendle Older People's Plan and the recommissioning of homecare services; and follow progress with the proposed introduction of a local Community Care Navigator Project.
- (2) That a meeting be sought with the Corporate Director to discuss future options for continuing scrutiny of health and social care issues in the locality.

CHAIRMAN _____