MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE PANEL HELD AT THE TOWN HALL, NELSON ON 26^{TH} JUNE, 2019

PRESENT-

Panel Members - Councillors

M. Aslam J. Henderson Y. Tennant

Also present:

Helen Hedges	Critical Friends N.H.S. East Lancashire
Yvonne Hope	Critical Friends N.H.S. East Lancashire

Officers in attendance:

Lynne Rowland

Committee Administrator (Pendle Borough Council)

(Apologies for absence were received from Councillors K. Hartley and T. Whipp.)

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APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

AGREED

That Councillor Julie Henderson be appointed Chairman of the Panel for the municipal year 2019/2020.

Councillor J. Henderson – Chairman (In the Chair)

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APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

AGREED

That Councillor Mohammad Aslam be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Panel for the municipal year 2019/2020.

3.

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Members were reminded of the legal requirements concerning the declaration of interests.

4.

MINUTES

AGREED

That the minutes of the meeting held on 12th March, 2019 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

REVIEW TOPICS

Members were advised that, in accordance with the Panel's terms of reference, the reviews carried out by the Panel had to be chosen from suggestions put forward by the Pendle Health and Wellbeing Partnership Board (PHWPB) and/or the Council's Policy and Resources Committee.

The Head of Democratic Services submitted a report of proposed topics for consideration which had been put forward by the PHWPB -

• An overview of Food Banks in Pendle

The Panel was asked to consider carrying out a piece of work to get an overview of where Food Banks were in Pendle and what was available. Suggestions on what could be considered were as follows -

- Organisation
- Location
- Opening times
- Service provided (i.e. collection and/or delivery service, cooking sessions)
- Range of items available (i.e. just food, or hygiene products as well)
- Criteria for use and referral process
- Links with other foodbanks and service providers (i.e. health centres, other community groups, mental health services)
- Funding arrangements (i.e. how they are funded, whether any grants have been accessed in the last 2 years)

It was agreed that this work could be done in partnership with Burnley, Pendle and Rossendale Council for Voluntary Service (BPRCVS).

Healthy food/drink offer in public venues

It was reported that, over the next six months, as part of Pennine Lancashire's Childhood Obesity Trailblazer Programme, work would be taking place on Pendle's Healthy Weight Declaration.

As part of this work it was important to better understand the extent of the healthy food and drink offered in Pendle Leisure Trust buildings, leisure sites, community halls etc. and schools.

The Panel was therefore asked to assist in gathering information on this topic. It was suggested that things to consider could include whether –

- these sites had vending machines for both food and drink
- healthy options were available and promoted
- healthy food was available and widely promoted in any associated cafes/canteens
- children could access fizzy drinks in our primary and secondary schools

Members felt that this would be a valuable piece of work and considered whether this could be extended, at a future date, to include food provision in hospitals.

The Chairman also made reference to the **Community Connector Project**, a topic that was briefly looked at by the 2018/19 Panel. The Panel had been keen to help promote the project, but felt that further information was required before doing so. It was noted that a representative of the project was happy to attend a future meeting of the Panel to provide further information on the service they delivered.

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AGREED

- (1) That the Panel agrees to gather information on the provision of Food Banks in Pendle and on the extent of the healthy food and drink offered in Pendle Leisure Trust buildings, leisure sites, community halls and schools.
- (2) That arrangements be made for a representative of the Community Connector Project to attend a future meeting of the Panel to provide further information on the service they deliver.

6. NORTH WEST AMBULANCE SERVICE

Reference was made to the 2018/19 Panel's consideration of ambulance response time statistics. Although this was a topic that was not compatible with the PHWPB's work programme and was therefore not a review that could be carried out by the Panel, Members had considered whether to lobby the Pennine Lancashire Quality Commission (a body that held NWAS to account) with regard to the monitoring of ambulance response times.

It was reported that since the last meeting of the Panel NWAS had been consulting on its draft Quality Account 2018/19, which included information on ambulance response times. The PHWPB amongst others had been invited to comment on the draft.

The Panel was asked to consider whether it felt that this was sufficient to highlight any areas of concern.

AGREED

That it be acknowledged that the monitoring of ambulance response times was currently being carried out by the most appropriate bodies and agreed that no further work be required by this Panel.