

HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

Minutes of a meeting of the Health and Wellbeing Board held on Wednesday 12th February 2014 at 3.30pm at the Business Development Centre, Stafford Park 4, Telford TF3 3BA.

PRESENT: Cllr R Overton (Chair) (Telford and Wrekin Council), Dr M Innes (Vice-Chair) (Clinical Commissioning Group), D Evans (Clinical Commissioning Group), Cllr E Clare (Telford and Wrekin Council), P Taylor (Telford and Wrekin Council), Cllr G Green (Telford and Wrekin Council), Cllr J Seymour (Telford and Wrekin Council), Liz Noakes (Telford and Wrekin Council), Cllr A England (Telford and Wrekin Council), Cllr P Watling (Telford and Wrekin Council),

Also Present: J Chaplin (Healthwatch Telford and Wrekin, on behalf of D Saunders), K Clarke (Assistant Director: Finance, Audit & Information Governance), T Smart (Finance Manager).

Officers: M Cumberbatch (Legal Services) J Power (Delivery and Planning Manager) and J Clarke (Democratic Services Officer).

HWB-46 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

L Johnston (Telford and Wrekin Council), D Harrison (Clinical Commissioning Group), D Wickham (NHS England Shropshire and Staffordshire Area Team), D Saunders (Healthwatch Telford and Wrekin)

HWB-47 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

HWB-48 PUBLIC SPEAKING

No members of the public had registered to speak.

HWB-49 BETTER CARE FUND

D Evans and P Taylor presented a joint report on the Better Care Fund which set out the requirements placed upon the Council and the CCG to move towards the integration of health and social care services and the need to have a Better Care Fund (BCF) agreed and in place by April 2015.

The report also set out the proposals for funding and principles that needed to be developed and agreed.

An update to the report was tabled which included changes in the figures which supported the transformation of the healthcare and the Council's Community Care functions. These changes were also reflected in the Draft Finance summary.

The CCG and the Council had worked hard to find some commonality and common ground and thanks was given to everyone that had been involved in reaching agreement on the Better Care Fund.

There were some conditions around the Better Care Fund which included:

- Social Care Activity
- Impact Assessments
- Acute Sector

The money to be transferred to the BCF would be £11.5m across Telford and Wrekin. It was hoped that in the future that the service would change radically and be more ambitious with the pooled budget arrangements.

A task and finish group been set up and had agreed a set of proposals. It was envisaged that next year £13m overall would be transferred across to Telford and Wrekin with a further £14.5m the following year.

This would be a challenging time and the CCG, together with the Council, would need to move forward and work together to deliver services differently with reduced resources.

The agreed principles would underpin the initial integration and help to develop enablement services. There was also a need to reduce the number of people who required hospitalisation and facilitate timely discharges with a view to patients accessing community based services.

A discussion took place including:

- Acute services
- Adult Social Care
- Re-distribution of funds
- Whole community partnership
- Voluntary Sector
- Accountability for BCF
- Holistic approach
- End Service Users
- Future relationship with Healthwatch
- Future Fit Programme

The Chair thanked the officers of both the CCG and Telford and Wrekin Council for uniting together to produce the report.

It was agreed by the Board that a report would be brought back to the March meeting relating to governance arrangements for HWB.

RESOLVED – that:

- a) the requirement to put in place a Better Care Fund be noted;**
- b) that a report regarding the governance arrangements for the HWB be brought to the March meeting of the HWB; and**
- c) The Health and Wellbeing Board approve the draft BCF plan for submission to NHS England on 14th February, delegate power to the Chair of the Health & Wellbeing Board to sign the draft BCF plan document and delegate power to the Chair of the Health & Wellbeing Board, in consultation with The Chief Operating Officer (CCG), to approve the final BCF plan.**

The meeting ended at 4.12pm

Chairman:

Date: