

HEALTH & WELLBEING BOARD

Minutes of a meeting of the Health & Wellbeing Board held on Thursday 6 December 2018 at 2.00pm in G3 & G4, Addenbrooke House, Ironmasters Way, Telford, TF3 4NT

Present:

Cllr A R H England (Chair) Cabinet Member – Communities, Health & Wellbeing, TWC
Dr J Leahy (Vice Chair) Chair, Telford & Wrekin CCG
S Dillon Assistant Director, Adult Social Care, TWC
L Noakes Director of Public Health, TWC
Cllr J M Seymour Conservative Group, TWC
Cllr P R Watling Cabinet Member – Children’s & Adult’s Early Help & Support, TWC
Cllr J C Minor, Cabinet Member – Leisure, Green Spaces & Parks, TWC
B Parnaby, Telford & Wrekin Healthwatch
W Condlyffe, Chief Officer Group Representative

Also Present:

Jonathan Eatough, Assistant Director: Governance, Procurement & Commissioning;
Jessica Tangye Partnerships Manager; Stacey Worthington, Democratic Services Officer,

HWB-21 Apologies for Absence

Cllr S A W Reynolds -Cabinet Member – Education & Skills, Cllr K Tomlinson – Liberal Democrat / Independent Group, C Jones – Director of Children’s & Adults Services, D Evans, Chief Operating Officer Telford & Wrekin CCG

HWB-22 Declarations of Interest

None

HWB-23 Minutes of the meeting held on 12 September 2018

The minutes were agreed as a true record.

HWB-24 Public Speaking

Ms Jayne Stevens, on behalf of PODS Parent Carer Forum, raised a question in respect of the Emotional Health & Wellbeing Service 0-25 Years report. Ms Stevens had tabled a report which PODS had produced and wanted clarification on the support offered to families. It was noted that this service was not solely the responsibility of the CCG but also the Local Authority, education and social care. Ms Stevens noted that families were fighting to get to CAMHS and to get a diagnosis.

Members noted this was an important area, and there had been concern raised about the service previously. Significant concerns had been raised recently in respect of over-medication and, although it was positive this had been identified, the children who had their medication removed needed to be monitored and supported.

HWB-25 HWB Priority Work-Stream Update: Toxic Trip and the Domestic Abuse Strategy

The Strategy outlined the work which was undertaken on this Health and Wellbeing Board priority area. Protocols had been implemented in respect of female genital mutilation, honour based violence and force marriage. Work had been done on raising awareness, such as the white ribbon campaign.

Members noted the new law in respect of controlling behaviour and queried how this was implemented. It was noted that this was a complex and difficult area to police and there was joint working with Women's Aid and there needed to be a greater community awareness.

Members noted the reference to victims and perpetrators programmes. It was noted that perpetrator courses were important to break the cycle but there were sensitivities to overcome.

A Member asked if there were plans to train other providers to run the Freedom Programme. It was advised that training on the Freedom Programme would be running in May with the voluntary and community sector.

A discussion was held on the effect of domestic abuse on children and it was noted that this was a very important priority area. A discussion was held on abuse of vulnerable adults, for example, those with dementia, which is a rising area of concern.

A Member asked if it was possible to proceed to Court if the victim did not wish to go ahead, it was confirmed that a victimless prosecution could go ahead. The Magistrates were also able to impose a Domestic Violence Protection Order for up to 28 days. A raft of responses were available through the MARAC process.

The Board noted the content of the report.

HWB-26 Emotional Health & Wellbeing Service 0-25 Year

The Report updated the Board on the BeeU Service, which was the emotional health and wellbeing service jointly commissioned by the CCG and the Local Authority. There had been real successes over the last 19 months, including a significant recruitment campaign. The new service had a radically different approach with a reduced medical focus. There were an increased number of therapists and changes had been made to procedures.

NHS Improvement had completed a deep dive of the service and had produced some recommendations. This included the existing case work, as some of the children had been in the system for a very long time and historically, the service had heavily prescribed. The service had looked at their caseload and had done work to establish how many children were still actively on the caseload. It was noted that medication would only stop if it was clinically safe.

Development days had been undertaken and training had been completed on therapies. It was noted there had been an improvement in the waiting lists however, this was still not where the service would like it to be.

Members raised their concerns about the children who had their medication stopped. Members were informed that stopping medication was only done by a clinician.

A Member raised concern in respect of the refused health checks. It was confirmed that some children did not like blood tests, so would refuse the health checks. In this scenario, the child would be risk assessed on a case by case basis. It was noted that child medication was a very complex area.

Members discussed signposting to other services and it was agreed this needed to improve.

The Board notes the content of the report and progress that has been made to date. The Board will review the refreshed CYP Local Transformation Plan and updated information on the reduction of medication at the next meeting.

HWB-27 Telford & Wrekin Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) Strategic Priorities

The Board was provided with a verbal update in respect of the CCG's Strategic Priorities. Information had been provided by NHS England comparing the CCG ten other comparative CCGs. The CCG have made four areas their priority areas, which are; cardio vascular, diabetes, early years and maternity and respiratory. It was noted that the means for delivery of these priorities was through Neighbourhood Working.

In progressing with these priorities areas, protected learning time had been in place for practice staff on diabetes. The CCG had taken learning from Bradford Healthy Hears in respect of optimising statin prescribing, managing high blood pressure and irregular heart rates. In respect of early years and maternity, proposals in respect of the midwife-led units would shortly be out to consultation.

Members raised their concerns in respect of the recent media coverage of maternity services in the area. It was noted that the Ockenden Review was looking into historical concerns and the report was awaited. The CQC had raised concerns in respect of foetal heart rate monitoring and the Hospital Trust had a fortnightly action plan.

In respect of the Midwife Led Units, it was noted that the current proposals were for there to be midwife hubs rather than the current units. Based on demographics and need, Telford should have two hubs. Members were advised that before the temporary closure of the units, usage had been low. It was noted that the hubs would provide ante and post-natal care, but not births.

Members expressed concerns in respect of the Future Fit process, which would see the Women and Children's Unit close under Option 1. Members highlighted the value of this unit to families in the East of the county.

The Board noted the updates.

HWB-28 Transforming Care Partnership (TCP) Update

The Board received an update in respect of the Transforming Care Partnership, which was run by Telford & Wrekin CCG, Shropshire CCG, Shropshire Council and Telford & Wrekin Council. It was noted that the target to have 9 people in NHSE beds and 5 in CCG funded beds were on track. It was noted that these patients were complex and vulnerable and it was vital to ensure that people were not readmitted.

It was noted that the relationship between the TCP and Telford & Wrekin Council was very good and there was regular contact between the teams, which identified barriers quickly.

In respect of NHSE beds, there had been a number of successes, 4 patients had been discharged since the summer of 2017, three of whom were Telford and Wrekin residents. Two additional Telford and Wrekin residents were imminently ready for discharge.

It was noted that some of the people had been in hospital for some time, one for seven years, so it was important that the time was taken to prepare properly. Members were assured that no one would be moved before they were ready. It was noted that NHSE would offer support as needed.

Members expressed their concern regarding the use of targets and pressure to discharge patients. Members were assured that although the targets were based on population, the NHS would not support discharge before they were ready, however, it was also noted that people should not be in hospital for longer than they needed to be.

Members praised the team for the work which they had done and identified this was a complex area. Members discussed support in the community following discharge, it was agreed this was a vital area, and work was being completed with nurses to improve their skills.

The Board notes the content of the report and requests an update report at the end of the project in April 2019 and notes the changes to roles, in particular the Senior Responsible Officer and the Deputy Responsible Officer.

HWB-29 SEND Joint Commissioning Update

This report had been deferred.

HWB-30 Social Isolation Conference Evaluation and Feedback

The Board was provided with an update on the Social Isolation event which had recently taken place. The event was well attended, especially from the community and voluntary sector. The aim of the event was to inspire people to take action and over 50 people made pledges on the day or signed up to be a Champion.

Members praised the event.

The Board notes the report and endorses the progress and next steps.

HWB-31 Sexual Health Service Update

The report provided an update on the current position and future service improvements planned for the Sexual Health Service in Telford and Wrekin. It was noted that many services were provided from the hub at Bishton Court, which had seen a 15% increase in attendances over the past year.

There was a generally low prevalence of STIs, however, more work needed to be done on the uptake of HIV testing. In respect of teenage pregnancies, the rate had halved since 1998 and, for the first time, was now similar to the national average.

From 2019/20, all schools would deliver SRE and a pack had been purchased to support the delivery of this. It was noted that a partnership had been developed with the Severn Teaching Alliance to deliver this work.

The Board notes the updates.

HWB-32 Sustainability and Transformation Programme Update

The Board received a verbal update in respect of the STP. It was advised that the STP had a new Chair, Sir Neil McKay. Progress meetings would take place throughout December in order for Sir Neil to meet the teams. The Board were advised that the STP was not large enough to become an Integrated Care System, however, would become an Integrated Care Partnership.

Members noted the importance of the STP as a partnership and requested Sir Neil visit the Council.

The Board notes the update.

HWB-33 Safer Telford Partnership Update

The report provided an update in respect of the Safer Telford Partnership. Members raised their disappointment in that CSE had not been built into the strategy.

The meeting ended: 3.58pm.

Chairman:

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