

HEALTH OVERVIEW AND ADULT SOCIAL CARE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

MEETING, 4TH MARCH, 2014

Present – Councillors Spencer (Chairman), Donaghy (Vice-Chairman), L. Byrne, C. Burrows, Darvesh, Hall, G. Harkin, Iqbal, Irving, Ismail, Morgan, Radlett and Wilkinson.

Lay Member

Ms. R. Haworth - Healthwatch

Also in attendance

Councillor Mrs. Thomas	-	Executive Cabinet Member Deputy Leader's Portfolio
Councillor Peacock	-	Cabinet Member for Adult Services
Mr. D. Wakefield	-	RBH NHS Foundation Trust
Ms. S. Long	-	Clinical Commissioning Group
Ms. W. Meredith	-	Director of Public Health
Ms. R. Tanner	-	Assistant Director Care Management and Provider Services
Mr. S. Young	-	Chief Officer Support
Ms. J. Green	-	GMW Mental Health Trust
Mrs. V. Ridge	-	Deputy Democratic Services Manager

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Bashir-Ismail, M. Connell and Greenhalgh and Mr. G. Evans.

Councillor Spencer in the Chair.

25. MR GARETH EVANS – AGE UK

The Chairman advised members of the imminent retirement of Mr. Gareth Evans who had been Age UK Bolton's

representative on this Scrutiny Committee for a number of years.

Resolved – That Mr Evans be thanked for all his work and contributions to this Committee over a number of years and he be wished a happy retirement.

26. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 7th January, 2014 were submitted.

Further to minute 22 of the previous meeting, further information was sought in relation to the current level of infection rates for C.difficile. Mr. D. Wakefield, Chairman of the Trust advised that the number was relatively low for this time of year and the strategy which had been adopted by the nursing team was working well.

Resolved – That the minutes be signed as a correct record.

27. THE COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME 2013/2014

The Deputy Chief Executive submitted a report which set out the remit of the Committee and also put forward a proposed work programme for 2013/2014.

Resolved – That the proposed work programme for 2013/2014 be approved.

28. MEMBERS BUSINESS

Councillor Morgan declared an interest in the undermentioned item as he is a governor on the Greater Manchester West Mental Health Trust.

The Committee was informed that a question had been submitted by Councillor Donaghy for consideration under Standing Order 36, viz:-

‘In view of the fact that Trafford CCG has pulled out of the proposed consultation on Strengthening Community

Mental Health Services and Acute Care Pathway
Redesign is it feasible for Bolton and Salford to carry on?'

In response to the above question the Clinical Commissioning Group provided the following response, viz:-

Bolton Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) is the statutory body required to consult Bolton people on proposed changes to the way mental health services are provided by Greater Manchester West NHS Foundation Trust. The decision to consult was made by the Board of Bolton CCG and the decision on whether to implement and what alterations to make in response to the consultation will be made by the Board of Bolton CCG. The consultation commenced on 6th January, 2014 and closes on 30th March, 2014 (12 weeks).

As the proposal from GMW had a consistent rationale across the 3 CCGs of Bolton, Salford and Trafford and the bed changes are more understandable when viewed in totality, it was agreed the 3 CCGs would run their consultations at the same time. Although a single document was produced to explain the changes, it includes clear sections describing the specific investments, bed changes and service offer for each borough.

Trafford CCG have decided to stop their consultation. In order to invest in improving home care, Trafford will need to identify alternative sources of funding through making savings in a different way, for example.

There is no impact on the proposals for Bolton people contained in the consultation document. Bolton CCG holds a separate contract with GMW and the investments and savings for the Bolton area are not affected by decisions in Trafford.

Bolton CCG has not changed its view that the proposed changes represent an improvement in services that fit with CCG and Health and Wellbeing Board Strategy. The process of consultation in both Bolton and Salford

continues and Bolton CCG is posting more information on their website to respond to common questions arising from consultation events.

Resolved – That the question submitted and the response provided be noted.

29. HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE INTEGRATION - UPDATE

Ms. W. Meredith, Director of Public Health, gave a presentation to members which provided an update on progress being made with regard to Health and Social Care Integration in Bolton.

Information was provided in relation to the following areas, viz:-

- A strategic overview of the Health and Social Care System;
- The objectives of the Integrated Care Services programme;
- The ambition of the Council;
- The Bolton Model for Integration;
- Paving the way in Bolton;
- The Better Care Fund;
- The key messages from the Vision Conference held in December, 2013;
- Actions being taken as a result of the feedback from the Vision Conference;
- The current position in Bolton; and
- The next steps.

Following the presentation a discussion ensued and the following comments/observations were made:-

- The overall expenditure for people with complex needs;
- How would the outcomes be evaluated;
- Proposals for the redesign of the service provided at Winifred Kettle Home; and
- The training, if any, being put in place for key workers.

Resolved – That the presentation be noted.

30. PUBLIC HEALTH GRANT

Mrs. W. Meredith, Director of Public Health gave a presentation which provided an update on public health over the past twelve months following it being transferred from the NHS to the Local Authority.

Information was provided in relation to the following areas, viz:-

- A summary of Bolton Council's new public health duties;
- Update on the public health ring-fenced grant;
- Highlighted some of the achievements from the past year; and
- Update on the public health priorities for 2014/2015.

Resolved – That the presentation be noted.

31. MEMBERS BUSINESS

The Committee received the extracts of minutes of other meetings of the Council relevant to the remit of this Committee:-

- (a) The Cabinet held on 9th December, 2013;
- (b) The Executive Cabinet Member Deputy Leader's Portfolio held on 10th and 12th February, 2014; and
- (c) Health and Wellbeing Board held on 22nd January and 12th February, 2014;

Resolved – That the minutes be noted.

(The meeting started at 5.00p.m. and finished at 6.10 p.m.)

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