

WIRRAL SHADOW HEALTH & WELLBEING BOARD

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 14 March 2012 NHS Wirral, Nightingale Room, Old Market House

Present:

Cllr J. Green, Leader of the Council/Leader of the Conservative Group, Wirral (Chair)
Cllr T. Harney, Leader of the Liberal Democrat Group, Wirral
Cllr S. Clarke, Portfolio Holder for Children's Services & Lifelong Learning
Ms F. Johnstone, Director of Public Health, Wirral
Mr G. Hodgkinson, Director of Adult Social Services, Wirral
Mr D. Armstrong, Interim Director of Children & Young People's Services, Wirral,
Mrs D. Hill, Chair, LINKs
Mr Ian Coleman, Deputy Chief Executive, Wirral Borough Council
Dr A. Mantgani, Executive Clinical Lead Wirral GP Commissioning consortium
Dr Pete Naylor, GP Co-Chair Wirral Health Commissioning consortium
Dr S. Mukherjee, Medical Director, NHS Cheshire, Warrington & Wirral
Dr G. Francis, GP Chair, Wirral NHS Alliance
Mrs S. Cumiskey, Chief Executive, Cheshire & Wirral Partnership Trust
Mr A. Cannell, Chief Executive, Clatterbridge Centre for Oncology
Ms T. Long, Director of Nursing & Midwifery, WUTH
Mrs A. Roberts, Chief Executive, Voluntary & Community Action Wirral

Apologies:

Cllr S. Foulkes, Leader of the Labour Group, Wirral
Mr J. South, Chief Executive, Wirral Community NHS Trust
Mr J. Wilkie, Chief Executive, Wirral Borough Council

In attendance:

Mr K. Carbery, Public Health Business Manager, NHS Wirral
Mrs T. Woodhouse, Executive Assistant, NHS Wirral (Minutes)

1. Welcome and apologies

The Chair, Cllr Jeff Green, thanked everyone for attending and apologised for the change in date. Apologies were duly noted.

2. Declarations of interest

No declarations were registered.

3. Minutes of the last Board Meeting (14 December 2011)

The minutes were agreed as a true record of proceedings and signed by the Chair.

4. Presentation on the development of Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs)

Before proceeding with the presentation, Dr Pete Naylor took the opportunity to mention the excellent presentation in January by Cheshire & Wirral Partnership on alcohol, in particular the information on minimum pricing. He would like the Board to consider how this issue could be taken forward. Fiona Johnstone agreed to progress.

Action: Fiona Johnstone to progress and advise.

Pete Naylor, on behalf of the Commissioning Clinical Groups, thanked the committee for the opportunity to update the Board on the recent changes surrounding clinical commissioning groups.

As background to the presentation he proceeded to advise that over the past year the three Wirral Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) have been successful in taking forward the commissioning agenda. However, due to the mosaic pattern of patients and the overlap between practices, the Department of Health requested the three groups to reconsider their position in order to proceed towards authorisation. In trying to reach a resolution the option of establishing a federated model for the Wirral was agreed in principle by all GP practices.

Each CCG would retain a devolved budget and decision-making authority but would sit under a governing body made up of key representatives of the three CCGs and other key individuals as recommended by national guidance. Dr Abhi Mantgani has been appointed as the Interim Accountable Officer of the Federation with Dr Phil Jennings and Dr Pete Naylor as the Interim Chair(s). Dr Phil Jennings will assume the role of Interim Chair for this year.

Work is progressing on the draft Constitution that would meet the clinical statutory requirement together with a Memorandum of Agreement (MOU) to cover each CCG's area of responsibility. Dr Shyamal Mukherjee welcomed this arrangement from a Cluster perspective and also for the Wirral population as a whole. The members were advised that the management of certain services would be devolved to the CCGs but some services would be managed collectively.

Tina Long enquired the position with regard to the commissioning of children's services. Sheila Clarke commented that the membership of

the Governing Body included the Director of Adult Social Services and asked for consideration to be given to a representative for Children & Young People. Following discussion it was agreed that as the Directors of Adult Social Services and Children & Young People work closely together they would share the seat on the Federation.

Action: Membership details to be amended accordingly.

A copy of the presentation would be made available to all members of the Board.

5. Presentation on Wirral Council Planned Development for 2012-2013

Cllr Green proceeded to talk through the budget presentation which highlighted the following areas:

- Giving Children the best start
- Investing in our local economy
- Your neighbourhood, your budget
- Improving Adult Social Care
- Delivering lasting change and improvement

Another area of importance for the Council during 2012-13 is the effective integration of the Public Health function into the Local Authority and Cllr Green welcomed the skills and resources within Public Health going forward.

Following the presentation, Dr Francis enquired whether a more integrated service could be developed in order to help the population access the services and advice needed. For instances GP practices provide excellent resources. Fiona Johnstone took the opportunity to advise of the recent workshop on integrated wellness and collaborative working. Discussions then continued regarding the possibility of recruiting and training volunteers. The group was also advised of the ongoing work with The Reader Organisation, which had taken over a library and would be a resource to help signpost people. Dr Mukherjee declared his interest at this point being a Trustee of the Reader Organisation.

6. Update on the development of HealthWatch

Graham Hodgkinson advised the progress towards establishing a local HealthWatch organisation in 2013 and as directed by the Health & Social Care Bill. It will supersede the existing Patient Forums and will build on the success of Wirral LINKs, (which is currently hosted by the Voluntary Community Action Wirral [VCAW]). The duty of the Local Authority will be to ensure that there is an effective and efficient local

HealthWatch with functions, roles and responsibilities not currently available to LINKs.

A Transition Group has been established and is currently working on the best model for the delivery of the service and to meet the needs of the population of Wirral. Sheena Cumiskey offered support and help with the Transition Group.

It was agreed that the Board would be supportive.

7. Update on progress with workstreams

7.1 Joint Strategic Needs Assessment to Joint Health & Wellbeing Strategy

Fiona Johnstone advised that the briefing paper provided an update on the workshop, which had been held to develop the thinking around the delivery of a shadow Joint & Health Wellbeing Strategy. The workshop was held to explore the approach that would be adopted to enable the Health & Wellbeing Board deliver its functions in respect of the JSNA and the Joint Health & Wellbeing Strategy in accordance with the Health & Social Care Bill.

The workshop resulted in a number of key issues being identified and a consultation exercise on these key issues would take place in the next few months. The group was also advised of the initiative to upload the JSNA icon on PCs which would provide direct and easy access straight to the JSNA website. All members agreed that that the icon would be extremely useful and Fiona Johnstone would make the necessary arrangements.

Action: Fiona Johnstone to facilitate this.

The report also included a timeline of updates to the Board and the group was asked to ensure that engagement from all areas was captured.

The shadow year would present the opportunity to put the strategy in place and build on what works best for Wirral.

7.2 Engagement

Annette Roberts advised the group of the forthcoming workshop on engagement which had been one of the workstreams identified at the September meeting. One of the main areas to address was to ensure that the flow of information back and forth within the community. Part of the workshop will highlight the use of IT in the engagement process, but it was also acknowledged that there are areas of society that fall into the digital exclusion zone.

7.3 Public Health: Integrated wellbeing model

Fiona Johnstone advised the group of the forthcoming workshop being held to explore how integrated wellness services could be delivered across Wirral. Support for this workshop would be provided through the Place Based leadership initiative and facilitated by Loop2.

Cllr Tom Harney took the opportunity of reminding members of the known link between wellness and access to open spaces, which is quite often ignored from a planning perspective.

Action: Fiona Johnstone will share the outcome of the workshop with the members.

7.4 Joint Commissioning and integrated delivery

Graham Hodgkinson informed the group of his recent visit to Torbay to look at their model of integrated delivery and joint commissioning. He further advised of his discussions with the various individuals from the community/social services and the commissioning consortia. Discussions are continuing with all concerned as to how resources could be pooled and closer working arrangements put in place.

Dr Pete Naylor advised of the work of the joint clinical multi disciplinary teams and their effectiveness within the community. He also advised of the forthcoming meeting with DASS and others on joint commissioning.

7.5 Place-Based Leadership Development activity Leadership Behaviour and Making Difficult Decisions

Fiona Johnstone advised the members of the forthcoming workshop on 17 April being one of the key development sessions. All were asked to note the date.

8. Update on the development of the child poverty strategy and action plan

This report presents the key milestones in developing the draft strategy and action plan to date and has been produced in conjunction with multi agency membership and a number of wide-ranging stakeholders. The Board were also advised that the Council had signed up to the Government's 'troubled family' initiative.

Tom Harney took the opportunity of advising the group of research that had been carried out some years ago with regard to the cycle of poverty, education and the role of the family unit.

Action: Members were asked to note and consider the report and to feed back comments to Jane Morgan at the Local Authority.

9. Relationship between the Health & Wellbeing Board and Overview & Scrutiny

Following a recent visit to the LGA conference, Fiona Johnstone wished to highlight the issue of scrutiny and how this could be managed locally. She asked members to give consideration to this issue.

10. Request for Membership

A request for membership had been received from the Merseyside Probation Service. It was agreed to advise them that their request would be reviewed at the end of the shadow year.

Action: Fiona Johnstone to write to the Merseyside Probation Service.

11. Date of next meeting

To be arranged following the May election

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.25 pm.

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