

At a meeting of the West Sussex Health and Wellbeing Board held on 19 September 2013.

Present:

Katie Armstrong	Amit Bhargava	Peter Catchpole
Peter Evans	Claire Foreman	Andrew Foulkes
Louise Goldsmith	Christine Hardisty	Nigel Lynn
Minesh Patel	Martin Pearson	Amanda Rogers
Frances Russell	Christopher Snowling	Kieran Stigant
Judith Wright		

Apologies:

Julia Dutchman-Bailey	Christine Field	Stuart Gallimore
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In attendance:

Rod Smith	Suzanne T Thompson	Debra Wheeler
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Chairman's Welcome

23. The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting and noted apologies. She thanked Martin Pearson for organising the 4SIGHT event that was taking place in the grounds of County Hall.

24. Members noted that the Board had not been successful in having its Expression of Interest in becoming Social Care Pioneers taken forward.

25. The Chairman highlighted the opportunities for discussion and action on challenges for the Health and Wellbeing Board at the coming Awayday event on 26 September. Members noted that actions and any required decisions arising from that meeting would come to the November meeting of the Board.

Declaration of Interests

26. No interests were declared at this point.

Minutes

27. Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 06 June be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

Urgent Matters

28. There were no urgent matters.

NHS Support for Social Care funding 2013/14 and 2014/15

29. Judith Wright, Director of Public Health, Health and Social Care Commissioner outlined this report (copy appended to the signed minutes) which concerned NHS England requirements with regard to the West Sussex NHS Support for Social Care allocation for the financial years 2013/2014 and 2014/2015. Members noted that the allocation for 2013/2014 had been committed following consideration by the Joint Commissioning Board. Mrs Wright asked the Board to consider the outlined process and invited any questions and comments. Members:

- highlighted the importance of understanding that the funding was not 'new' money, rather it arose from the disinvestment of existing services, the majority coming from secondary care services in hospitals
- questioned whether proposed allocations for 2014/15 would be overseen by the Joint Strategic Commissioning Group. *Mrs Wright said they would.*
- suggested that further governance arrangements might be forthcoming from NHS England. *It was explained that the timeline to 30 January concerned the 14/15 funding and that while arrangements for future funding may be similar those would be presented in a future paper*
- noted that the funding was non-recurrent and questioned how new services would cope with cessation of funding. *Mrs Wright explained that the money was intended to support transition and change and all projects would be required to have an exit strategy.*
- commented that the transformation projects should be undertaken notwithstanding the availability of this funding
- questioned whether sufficient data would be available in time for a return report in November. *Mrs Wright said if that was the case that was what would be reported.*

30. The Chairman thanked members for their input and reminded them of the recommendation.

31. Resolved that:

the Board agreed the process for its role in allocating and monitoring NHS Support for Social Care Funding as set out in paragraph 4 of the report.

Review and Alignment of Commissioning Intentions 2014/15

32. Mrs Wright introduced this report (copy appended to the signed minutes) which concerned an outline process for fulfilling the Health and Wellbeing Board's responsibility to oversee the annual commissioning intentions and plans for 2014/15. Mrs Wright took one question on the report and confirmed that attendance at the December workshops would not be just for Board members.

Members were asked to let Mrs Wright have the names of officers for each organisation who would lead on the work on commissioning plans.

33. Resolved that:

the Board agreed the outline timetable and process set out in the paper and agreed to forward to Mrs Wright the names of lead individuals who would have responsibility for co-ordinating activity within their own organisations.

West Sussex Sub Acute Care Strategy

34. The Chairman asked Katie Armstrong, Clinical Chief Officer, Coastal West Sussex Clinical Commissioning Group (CWS CCG) to introduce a tabled presentation from members of the West Sussex Joint Commissioning Strategy Group (JCSG) (copy appended to the signed minutes) concerning the final draft of the West Sussex Sub Acute Care Strategy. Dr Armstrong outlined the joint vision of support for West Sussex residents to live well and be supported within communities. Members heard how work on last year's commissioning intentions had highlighted gaps in patient care between hospital and home that required closer investigation. Price Waterhouse Cooper had been employed to give an understanding of the synergy and gaps between each of the commissioning intentions plans and to evidence best practice. Dr Armstrong presented the resulting strategy as a shared vision for the County Council and the three Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) in West Sussex.

35. Speaking specifically for the CWS CCG Dr Armstrong drew members' attention to the final slide in the Coastal West Sussex CCG set which outlined the local area priorities set out in the Executive Summary of the Strategy at 1.5C for the Coastal area.

36. Debra Wheeler, Head of Delivery for the Crawley and the Horsham and Mid Sussex CCG outlined the priorities for the Northern Area CCGs as set out in final slide of the Northern CCG slide set and at 1.5C in the Executive Summary.

37. Dr Patel thanked Ms Wheeler for her presentation and said that hopefully by the end of the financial year it would be possible to share patient information and GP records within agreed health and social care organisations across West Sussex.

38. Claire Foreman, West Sussex County Council (WSCC) Head of Adult Social Care Commissioning drew members attention to her tabled slide set which outlined the County Council's commitment and context for integrated social care in West Sussex. Mrs Foreman highlighted that the work on the Sub Acute Care Strategy brought together shared funding and shared vision and gave a real opportunity for all organisations involved to plan and work together on a home

and community centric vision for personalised and integrated care between hospital and home for West Sussex residents.

39. The Chairman thanked JCSG members for their presentation and invited comments and questions. Members:

- Highlighted the importance of signposting services to help people access voluntary services and questioned whether there were any initiatives that encouraged residents to consider moving to smaller, more easily manageable properties. *Mrs Foreman acknowledged the valuable asset residents had in local voluntary services and also the importance of considering how people live when they are getting older but are not ill and explained that there was a great deal of supporting work going on outside the immediate agenda*
- Were impressed by the presentations and pleased to see these were focussed around people rather than systems. Also pleased to hear the willingness to 'get on with it' and the news about the ability to share patient records across the County.
- Offered to share any patient stories collected by Healthwatch that could help progress the work
- Questioned what the principals and ideals in the Strategy would mean to those taking its plans forward, noting that many strategies lose impetus in implementation. *Patient stories were highlighted as set out in the Executive Summary of the Strategy. It was felt that addressing difficulties emphasised by these chimed with the ideals of the Strategy, which would be a protective factor against that risk.*

40. The Chairman thanked members and officers for the presentation noting a real sense of hope in what might be achieved for West Sussex residents.

41. Resolved that:

Members views on the recommendations at 1.5C in the Executive Summary of the Strategy and the presentation by JCSG members will be taken into account in the future delivery of Sub Acute Services in West Sussex.

Healthwatch West Sussex

42. The Chairman introduced the Chairman of Healthwatch, Frances Russell to give a presentation updating the Board on the work of Healthwatch since its inception five and a half months ago (copy of tabled presentation appended to signed minutes).

43. Members noted the slide set and the information on the forthcoming public launch event for Healthwatch West Sussex to be held on Friday 11th

October in the Drill Hall, Horsham. Members heard that this was designed to raise awareness of the new independent consumer champion for health and social care, to share its aspirations and inform people of its activities. The Board also noted that 'patient journey' accounts were being received by Healthwatch in increasing numbers.

44. The Chairman thanked Ms Russell for her presentation and invited questions and comments. Members:

- Requested a supply of the new Healthwatch leaflet for distribution
- Questioned progress on recruitment of volunteers to Healthwatch. *Ms Russell said that an induction day had recently been held and 10 volunteers had expressed interest. She explained that ideally one volunteer would work with each Trust and CCG to ensure information flowed to and from each organisation.*

Joint Strategic Needs Assessment

45. The Chairman informed members that this agenda item had been withdrawn from the agenda pending further information and said that the presentation slides on Social Isolation and Loneliness would be available on the website shortly.

Business Planning Group

46. Members noted this report which gave a summary of the 08 August meeting of the Business Planning Group.

Health and Wellbeing Peer Challenge

47. The Chairman asked Mrs Wright to present this report which concerned the findings of the recent Health and Wellbeing Peer Challenge. Mrs Wright welcomed the feedback which she felt would prove very useful in furthering the development of the West Sussex Board. Members were asked for their comments on the headline messages at paragraph 2.1 and to identify anything they felt had been left out of the review. Members noted that further conversations would be had on actions arising from the Review at the forthcoming Board Awayday on 26 September. Comments and questions were invited. Members:

- Highlighted the value of the Review in giving a comprehensive overview of all that the Board should be attending to
- Noted the importance of the patient voice, not that these should be addressed directly by the Board but exposed through its partnership working systems
- Felt 'getting on with the work' should be the focus of the Board rather than worrying about its constitution

- Felt the Board should look outside the County to understand what other Boards are doing well and how West Sussex might learn from those. *The Chairman said that there was a wealth of information regarding the development of Health and Wellbeing Boards available from the Local Government Association and she would ensure this was highlighted to the Board*
- Suggested the check list of proposed actions in the appendix to the report might be over-long. *Mrs Wright said that these would be refined and represented at the Awayday*
- Considered that an understanding of what the Board had achieved and how it looked 'on the ground' might be a 'gap'
- Emphasised the need to reflect on the agreed Joint Strategy
- Highlighted concern that the NHS representation on the Board needed to be strengthened.

48. The Chairman thanked members for their input and said further debate on any of these points could be picked up at the Awayday.

Public and Provider Open Forum

49. The Chairman invited questions and comments from observers attending the meeting. Responses were as follows:

- A representative from St Catherine's Hospice said how disappointing it was that no mention had been made of the considerable contribution of the voluntary sector providers in the Sub Acute Strategy presented at Item 6. This was echoed by a member of the Board who mentioned the contribution of the Red Cross and the Royal Voluntary Service in particular, emphasising that voluntary organisations provided very valuable services that contributed to rapid and safe discharge of residents from hospital. *Mrs Wright noted these helpful observations and agreed that the contribution of voluntary organisations was certainly invaluable and perhaps this had not been reflected strongly enough in the document.*
- A representative from the Mid Sussex Older People Council (MSOPC) sought information regarding a rejected proposal to facilitate the West Sussex Health and Wellbeing Cooperative that had been put to the Board's Business Planning Group on 16 May. *The Chairman asked Farhang Tahzib, Public Health Consultant, who was also observing the meeting, to speak with members of the MSOPC after the meeting.*

The meeting closed at 3.55pm.