

Health and Wellbeing Board

Monday 6 March 2017 at 6.00 p.m.

in a Conference Room at the Council House, Walsall

Present: Councillor Robertson (Chair)
Councillor D. Coughlan
Councillor A. Kudhail
Councillor R. Martin
Councillor I. Shires
Mr. D. Haley, Director Children's Services
Dr. B. Watt, Director of Public Health
Ms. K. Allward, Head of Integrated Commissioning
Dr. A. Rischie (Vice-Chair)] Clinical
Mr. M. Abel] Commissioning
Mr. P. Tulley] Group representatives
Mr. J. Taylor, Healthwatch `Walsall
Mr. D. Baker, West Midlands Fire Service
Chief Supt. J. Clews, West Midlands Police
Mr. A. Boys, Walsall Voluntary Action

In attendance: Ms. C. Boneham, Health and Wellbeing Programme Manager
Ms. J. Rowley, Public Health

376/17 Apologies

Apologies for non-attendance were submitted on behalf of Councillor C. Clews, Councillor A. Ditta, Ms. P. Furnival, Mrs. P. Maubach and Mr. S. Fogell.

377/17 Substitutions

The Committee noted the following substitutions for this meeting only:

Ms. K. Allward for Ms. P. Furnival, Executive Director Adult Social Care
Mr. J. Taylor for Mr. S. Fogell, Healthwatch Walsall

378/17 Minutes

Resolved

That the minutes of the meeting held on 23 January 2017 copies having been sent to each member of the Board be approved and signed as a correct record.

379/17 Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest

380/17 Local Government (Access to Information) Act, 1985

There were no items to be considered in private session.

381/17 West Midlands Fire Service – prevention activities in Walsall

A report was submitted:

(see annexed)

The Operations Commander, Mr. D. Baker presented the report which provided an overview of how the Prevention agenda within the West Midlands Fire Services' Strategic Plan was ensuring that Health and Wellbeing was at the forefront of its vision of making 'West Midlands Safer, Stronger and Healthier' including being recognised as Marmot champions within the Walsall area.

Members discussed opportunities that the closer working relationship with the Fire service could provide, particularly with regard to the Safe and Well checks, which were targeted to the most vulnerable people; and the signposting of volunteering opportunities which could include via "One Walsall". Mr Baker also advised that a pilot project was due to start in July where the Fire Service would be used as a hub to store data of a nature appropriate to be accessed voluntary and community sector organisations to inform service delivery.

Mr D. Haley referred to the initiatives set out on pages 2 and 3 of the report which involving young people in activities and was keen to follow up how this would fit into the NEETs project (i.e. those not in employment, education or training). In addition he said that he would also wish to follow up referral pathways to ensure that they included the most appropriate ways such as through the Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub and the Early Help services.

The Chairman welcomed the close working relationship with the Fire Service and thanked Mr Baker for the report.

Resolved

That the Health and Wellbeing Board note the activity that West Midlands Fire Service is actively engaged in, to support the Board's priorities around health.

382/17 Walsall Safeguarding Children Board – Annual Report 2015/16

The Independent Chair of the Board, Mr A. Critchley presented the Annual Report of the Walsall Safeguarding Children Board:

(see annexed)

Mr Critchley pointed out that the report was published later than expected and therefore contained data which was not current however; he assured members that the following year's report would be produced in a more timely way. Mr Critchley highlighted the key points in the report and said that there had been some further work on multiagency safeguarding which would be reflected in the next report.

Mr Critchley then responded to questions and points of clarification from members on the report during which time he provided an overview of the work anticipated for 2016/17 particularly in relation to Missing children and Child Exploitation. With regard to vigilance on this in Schools, Mr D. Haley said that monitoring would be undertaken on how this and the schools pastoral work would be affected by the school budget position. Mr Critchley also mentioned that he was working with the local Prevent co-ordinator, Mr R. Spencer, and considered that the Prevent agenda was being handled well locally with it being embedded into Early Help and locality working. It was noted that with regard to the 'Toxic Trio' (issues of domestic abuse, mental ill-health and substance misuse as indicators of increased risk of harm to children and young people), it was noted that the low levels were likely to be due to underreporting and difficulty obtaining figures on visits to GPs in relation to these issues.

Mr Taylor highlighted the work being done on "The Voice of the Child" and said that having young people involved in performance audits and quality assurance, was useful and provided a different element of challenge. He commented that this could open up other areas where young people could be involved.

Mr Critchley concluded by advising that a free of charge training brochure was available on the Safeguarding Board's website and that he would work with "One Walsall" to support the training package for volunteers.

The Chair thanked Mr Critchley for his comprehensive report and it was:

Resolved

- (1) That the issues raised in the Walsall Safeguarding Children Board Annual Report 2015/16 be noted and that a summary of the end of Q4 review be provided to the Executive Director for Children's Services.
- (2) That school governors be reminded of the importance of ensuring safeguarding awareness in their schools

383/17 Health and Wellbeing Strategy theme: Healthy ageing and independent living

The Health and Wellbeing Programme Manager, Mrs C. Boneham introduced a report which provided a performance dashboard for the priorities identified in order to provide assurance of progress:

(see annexed)

The Head of Integrated Commissioning, Adult Social Care Ms. K. Allward explained the report in more detail and responded to questions and points of clarification from members during which time it was noted that in relation to the national picture of keeping people at home, Walsall was in the bottom quartile however, the position was improving. It was also noted that the costs associated with the introduction of the Living Wage had already been factored into the rates paid for care.

Resolved

- (1) That the Health and Wellbeing Board considers that the information provided is sufficient to give members assurance that progress is being made and that the named lead Boards have adequate corrective action plans in place to tackle poor performance.
- (2) That the Health and Wellbeing Board notes the linkages with partner strategies and/or references to shared priorities shown in this performance dashboard and is satisfied that all partners are taking the Health and Wellbeing Strategy priority relating to “Healthy ageing and independent living” into account when considering commissioning priorities.

384/17 The Walsall Plan: Our Health and Wellbeing Strategy – progress

The Public Health Speciality Registrar, Ms R. Chapman presented a report in detail which set out progress on developing the Walsall Plan: Our Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2017-20.

(see annexed)

In response to questions from members, Ms. Chapman explained the consultation process and confirmed that there would be a workshop event on 29 March to discuss the plan in detail and start to identify key priorities where partnership action could improve outcomes; and that members of the Health and Wellbeing Board would be invited.

Resolved

- (1) That the Health and Wellbeing Board notes the progress to date on the proposed Plan shown in appendix A.
- (2) That the Health and Wellbeing Board notes the workshop plans and date.

385/17 Walsall Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA)

The Public Health Intelligence Manager, Ms E. Thomas, presented the report with regard to the Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment process and the actions needed to be taken to ensure that the Board is meeting its obligations under the regulations:

(see annexed)

A brief discussion took place during which time the Chair said that he would like community pharmacies to be consulted on the review of the PNA.

Resolved

- (1) That the review and development process for the existing and new Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) as set out in paragraph 7 of the report be agreed.
- (2) That the timeline for development of the new PNA set out in paragraph 7 of the report be agreed.

386/17 Better Care Fund 2016/17 Quarter 3

The Head of Integrated Commissioning, Adult Social Care Ms. K. Allward presented the report which summarised the Better Care Fund Quarter 3 performance and the year-end forecasted outturn for 2016/17:

(see annexed)

It was noted that due to the timetable for submission of reports to NHS England, the current return had been submitted on 24 February in consultation with the Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board.

Resolved

- (1) That the Better Care Fund 2016/17 Quarter Three performance which was submitted to NHS England on 3 March 2017 be noted.
- (2) That the Board note that the 2016/17 forecasted year end position of the Better Care Fund is a net underspend of £292,867 against the approved budget of £23,601,119.
- (3) That the current risk share of the underspend as set out below be noted:
 - £277,241 under spend to Walsall Clinical Commissioning Group
 - £15,626 under spend to Walsall Metropolitan Borough Council

387/17 Work programme 2016/17

The Health and Wellbeing Programme Manager, Mrs. C. Boneham presented the work programme:

(see annexed)

Members noted that the next development day was scheduled for 29 March 2017 and would be held at the Forest Arts centre between 9am and 1pm.

Resolved

- (1) That the work programme be noted.
- (2) That both the West Midlands Police and Healthwatch Walsall provide a partner organisation update to the next meeting.

388/17 Key promotional messages

The Council's communications lead, Mr R. Bolton attended and advised the Board of the current communication messages across partner agencies.

- Safer Sleep Week: 13-19 March 2017 – Public Health and Walsall Healthcare NHS Trust Social media campaign
- Diabetes Prevention campaign – 2 years – those at risk of developing diabetes (Wolverhampton lead organisation)
- Child Sexual Exploitation Awareness Day: 18 March 2017 – working with safeguarding team to produce a series of social media messages and internal communications about how to identify and report suspected instances of CSE
- Clinical Commissioning Group's Big Conversation - Have your say on Local Urgent Care and Stroke Services event on 9 March at Moxley People's Centre.
- Walsall Clinical Commissioning Group is embarking on a campaign to recruit more residents to their Patient Voice Panel. They have a target to recruit of 1,000 people by the end of the year.
- Patients are reminded to bring their medications to hospital in a green bag
- Healthcare Trust – a push to recruit more Band 5 nurses – more information to come via Communications team
- Raising awareness of sepsis – NHS staff training day arranged

- Two new campaigns due – painkillers such as paracetamol and ibuprofen can be bought over the counter instead of repeat prescriptions. Gluten free items are also readily available in shops and this should be the preferred route.

With regard to prescriptions for Gluten free items, Dr. Rischie advised that GP's would only be prescribing staple food items in future as the cost to the GP of each prescription for the products was £22 even for a single item. Councillor D. Coughlan was concerned about the effect this could have on low income households and members suggested other methods of providing the products such as a voucher system or an agreement from NHS England to negotiate local pricing agreements.

389/17 Date of next meeting

Monday 24 April 2017

The meeting terminated at 7.50 p.m.

Chair:

Date: