

## **Health and Wellbeing Board**

**Monday 27 April 2015 at 6.00 p.m.**

**in a Conference Room at the Council House, Walsall**

**Present:** Councillor I. Robertson (Chair)  
Councillor M. Arif  
Councillor D. Coughlan  
Councillor P. Lane  
Councillor I. Shires

Mr. J. Morris, Executive Director, Neighbourhoods  
Mr. K. Skerman, Interim Executive Director, Adult Services  
Dr. B. Watt, Director of Public Health  
Mr. D. Harman, Head of Service, Children's Services  
Dr. A. Gill                   ] Clinical Commissioning  
Dr. R. Mohan               ] Group representatives  
Ms. S. Ali                    ]  
Mr. R. Przybilko, Healthwatch

**In attendance:** Ms. C. Boneham, Health and Wellbeing Programme Manager  
Mr. A. Rust, Head of Joint Commissioning

### **199/15 Filming of meeting**

At this point in the meeting, the Chairman advised that the meeting was being filmed by media students from Walsall College, the purpose of which was to promote the health and wellbeing messages from the meeting. He said that this was a pilot and the method of broadcasting would be dependent upon the quality of the film.

The Chairman pointed out to members of the public that they may elect not to be filmed and that there was an area of the room identified where those persons could sit.

### **200/15 Welcome and introductions**

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions took place

### **201/15 Apologies**

Apologies for non-attendance were submitted on behalf of Mr. D. Haley, Dr. D. Nair and Dr. A. Suri.



## **202/15 Minutes**

### **Resolved**

That the minutes of the meeting held on 2 March 2015 copies having been sent to each member of the Board be approved and signed as a correct record.

## **203/15 Declarations of interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

## **204/15 Local Government (Access to Information) Act, 1985**

There were no items to be considered in private session.

## **205/15 Task and finish groups 2014/15**

### **(a) Alcohol**

The Lead member, Councillor Lane introduced a report which explained the background to the work of the group and progress. The Head of Social Inclusion, Mr. A. Roche presented the report in detail and gave a presentation which illustrated outcomes of the work:

(report and presentation slides annexed)

Mr Roche advised that an action plan was being produced which would be submitted to the next meeting of the Board.

A discussion took place during which time the Executive Director, Neighbourhoods, Mr Morris responded to questions about whether or not health implications could be taken into account on licensing applications. He said that the Licensing committee was not currently allowed in law to take this into account however, the Council would be reviewing its Licensing Policy later in the year which will be as informed as possible in this respect. He also suggested that more awareness raising could be undertaken in schools and also through the Councils Area Panels.

The Chairman suggested that, in addition, there should be more awareness raising about 'drinking units' to tackle and inform home drinking.

In response to a question from Mr Skerman in respect of the availability of information showing the impact of alcohol on, for example, Domestic Violence,

Mr Roche commented that there was a resource in the Family Liaison Service to make that connection.

## **Resolved**

- (1) That the content of the report from the Alcohol Work Group, the attached appendices and the presentation be noted.
- (2) That an action plan be submitted to the next meeting of the Health and Wellbeing Board and that relevant indices be produced in partnership with the Clinical Commissioning Group order to review the position after 6 months.

### **(b) Healthy weight**

The Senior Programme Development and Commissioning Manager for Healthy Weight, Ms. S. Gill and Lead Member, Councillor Arif, presented the report on progress made by the Healthy Weight task and finish group.

(See annexed)

Ms Gill gave a presentation which provided information on healthy weight and physical activity in Walsall and initiatives identified to support methods to address the problem.

(Presentation slides annexed)

Members were pleased with the work being done particularly in relation to the work in schools and green pathways. It was suggested that more outdoor 'gyms' should be provided and that GPs should raise awareness and encourage the use of those which are existing. With regard to diet, it was noted that work was being done with Environmental Health officers to encourage fast food outlets including takeaways to use low fat alternatives and to engage in the 'Health switch' programme. It was also noted that Cooking would also be added to the National Curriculum.

Mr Przybylko informed the board that Healthwatch Walsall had established an Obesity Sub Group which was due to publish its report in July.

## **Resolved**

- (1) That the content of the report and the presentation be noted.
- (2) That the Health and Wellbeing Board approves the actions arising from the workshops and how it wishes to monitor progress in the future.

### **206/15 Strengthening the Health and Wellbeing Board**

The Executive Director, Neighbourhoods, Mr. J. Morris presented the report which proposed a future model for the Health and Wellbeing Board:

(see annexed)

Mr Morris said that should the Board support the proposed model, terms of reference for the Strategic Advisory Group would be produced and submitted to the next meeting of the Board. He also said that work to look at aligning the role of the Councils Area Panels and the Clinical Commissioning Group's Locality Teams was currently underway with a view to potentially pooling resources to help with engagement in the community and that this should be ready for submission to the Board sometime in October this year.

### **Resolved**

- (1) That the proposed future model for the Health and Wellbeing Board be agreed.
- (2) That the Health and Wellbeing Board agree to consult with key providers and partners on the terms of reference for the Strategic Advisory Group.

### **207/15 Health and Wellbeing Board: A framework for communication and engagement with the public**

The Health and Wellbeing Programme Manager, Ms. C. Boneham presented the report which introduced a communication and engagement framework for the Health and Wellbeing Board:

(see annexed)

Members discussed the framework, particularly in respect of the next steps set out in the report. It was suggested that the Council could lead on communications and the Clinical Commissioning Group could lead on engagement however, it was also recognised that there was a need to combine resources given the integration agenda. It was also suggested that there was a need to look at engaging the wider system partners particularly with regard to the Better Care Fund.

### **Resolved**

- (1) That the Health and Wellbeing Board agree the framework for Communication and Engagement attached as appendix 1 including the next steps set out on page 5 of the appendix.
- (2) That the Council lead on Communications and the Clinical Commissioning Group lead on engagement for the Health and Wellbeing Board in the initial stages bearing in mind the work being done on the integration agenda.

- (3) That the Health and Wellbeing Board, through their Communication/ engagement leads, work together on the topics identified within the HWB work programme and, where appropriate, develop communication/ engagement plans.

**208/15 Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy “Promote and support healthy ageing and independent living”**

The Head of Joint Commissioning Unit, Mr. A. Rust presented the report which provided a performance dashboard for the priorities identified:

(see annexed)

Mr Rust updated on progress. He pointed out that in relation to hospital emergency admissions, the latest monitoring reports had been received which showed that there was actually a 3.2% decrease which meant that the figure in the dashboard would be ‘neutral’ however, he said that the rating would remain red for a further month and that the position would move off red if that month showed a further reduction. Ms Ali questioned the figures presented as a number of different data sets were being used. In response, Mr Rust said that a validation check would be undertaken and that this would take into account reporting on a real time basis.

**Resolved**

- (1) That having considered the performance dashboard the Health and Wellbeing Board is satisfied that the information is sufficient to give members assurance that either adequate progress is being made or 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.

**209/15 Walsall Inter-Board protocol on safeguarding children**

The Head of Service, Children’s Services, Mr. D. Harman presented the report which set out how the protocol would strengthen safeguarding in Walsall:

(see annexed)

## Resolved

- (1) That the protocol be approved subject to a change to paragraph 3.2.3 which should read *“When appropriate, the refreshed JSNA and the Health and Wellbeing Strategy will be received by the Children’s Safeguarding Board and the Childrens and Young People’s Partnership Board.”*
- (2) That bearing in mind the move to appoint a Joint Chair of Adults and Children’s Safeguarding Boards, further work be undertaken to integrate the Safeguarding Adults Boards in line with this protocol.
- (3) That arrangements be put in place for an annual meeting (a ‘summit’) with the Chairs of the Children’s and Young People’s Partnership Board, Health and Wellbeing Board, the Safeguarding Children Board and key people involved in Safeguarding.
- (4) That the Health and Wellbeing Board; note that:
  - (a) the Director of Childrens Services will present the Children and Young People’s Plan with a review of progress on safeguarding aspects to the Health and Wellbeing Board in early Summer;
  - (b) the Independent Chair of the Children’s Safeguarding Board will present the Annual Safeguarding Children’s Board Report to the Health and Wellbeing Board in the Autumn;
  - (c) the Children and Young Peoples Board and Childrens Safeguarding Board will review the refreshed Health and Well Being Strategy each year to consider, and make suggestions on, the performance and plans of the Health and Wellbeing Board with regard to their safeguarding responsibilities for children and young people.

## 210/15 Better Care Fund – Section 75 Agreement

The Head of Joint Commissioning, Mr. A. Rust presented the report which recommended the Section 75 agreement for signature by the Clinical Commissioning Group and the Council Cabinet:

(see annexed)

Mr Rust circulated a copy of the agreement and confirmed that both the Council and Clinical Commissioning Group’s legal teams had been consulted on the document. It was noted that the agreement, in draft, needed to be in place by 23 April 2015. Members considered the report which included a summary of the content of the agreement however, they considered that they



could not make a decision on the content at this time as they had not seen the document in advance of the meeting. In view of the timescale for approval of this document it was:

**Resolved**

That the Better Care Fund Section 75 Agreement be circulated to all Health and Wellbeing Board members and that, subject to no adverse comments being received, the Agreement be recommended for approval to the Cabinet and the Clinical Commissioning Group Governing Body.

**211/15 Walsall Clinical Commissioning Group Refreshed Operational Plan  
2015/16-2016/17**

The Clinical Commissioning Group Strategic Lead, Mr P Griffin presented the report summarising the key elements of the refreshed operational plan:

(see annexed)

In presenting the plan, Mr Griffin pointed out that the Walk-in Centre was being relocated from the Market Place to the Saddlers Centre in Walsall.

**Resolved**

That the report be noted.

**212/15 Healthwatch**

Mr. R. Przybylko, Joint Chair, Healthwatch Walsall, presented a report which updated on the current position on the organisation's activity:

(see annexed)

In presenting the report Mr Przybylko pointed out that the total value of volunteer contributions solely in relation to work at meetings was £26,682, exceeding the target figure of £25,000.

It was also noted that a Chief Officer for Healthwatch Walsall had now been appointed, Simon Fogell, who would be in post the next week.

The Executive Director, Neighbourhoods, Mr Morris, thanked the Joint Chairs for their achievements over a difficult period without a Chief Officer. He said that the report showed the scale of activity which was welcome.

**Resolved**

That the report be noted

**213/15 Health and Wellbeing Work programme 2014/15**

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

(see annexed)

It was noted that the programme would be updated to include Area Partnership/Clinical Commissioning Group locality working. It was also noted that an 'induction' session would be arranged for new members in the new Municipal Year.

### **Resolved**

That the work programme be noted

### **214/15 Communications**

The Board identified the following key messages from the meeting:

- Alcohol and Healthy Weight – findings from task group work
- Infant Mortality – a task and finish group to be established in the new Municipal Year to look into the issue further
- That the Clinical Commissioning Group's Operational Plan has been agreed.

### **215/15 Executive Director, Neighbourhoods**

At this point in the meeting, the Chairman informed the Board that Jamie Morris would be retiring at the end of the April. He expressed his thanks to Mr Morris for the support he had given to the Board and wished him a happy retirement.

### **216/15 Date of next meeting**

It was noted that the schedule of meeting dates for the new Municipal Year would be agreed at the Annual Council meeting in June 2015

The meeting terminated at 8.20 p.m.

Chairman:

Date: