

Health and Wellbeing Board

Monday 23 January 2017 at 6.00 p.m.

in a Conference Room at the Council House, Walsall

Present: Councillor Robertson (Chair)
Councillor D. Coughlan
Councillor A. Ditta
Councillor A. Kudhail
Councillor I. Shires
Ms. P. Furnival, Executive Director Adult Services
Mr. D. Haley, Director Children's Services
Dr. B. Watt, Director of Public Health
Dr. A. Rischie (Vice-Chair)] Clinical
Mr. M. Abel] Commissioning
Mr. P. Tulley] Group representatives
Mr. D. Baker, West Midlands Fire Service
Ch. Supt. J. Clews, West Midlands Police

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

364/17 Apologies

Apologies for non-attendance were submitted on behalf of Councillor R. Martin, Mr. P. Maubach and Mr. A. Boys.

It was noted that Dr. Abdallah had stepped down from the Clinical Commissioning Group Board and there that was now a vacancy.

365/17 Minutes

Resolved

That the minutes of the meeting held on 5 December 2016 copies having been sent to each member of the Board be approved and signed as a correct record.

366/17 Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest

367/17 Local Government (Access to Information) Act, 1985

There were no items to be considered in private session.

368/17 Health and Wellbeing Strategy: “Reducing the burden of preventable disease, disability and death”

The Clinical Commissioning Group Interim Programme Director, Mr P. Tulley introduced a report which provided a performance dashboard for the priorities identified in order to provide assurance of progress:

(see annexed)

Mr Tulley responded to questions and points of clarification from members during which time he said that both respiratory and cardio-vascular disease had been identified as a priority and a full review of pathways would be undertaken jointly with partners and that these would be starting next month with work being aligned with the Public Health team.

Dr. B. Watt commented that with regard to respiratory health, the Council had identified air quality as a priority especially in relation to the area around Junction 10 of the M6 and that this could lead to a bigger discussion at the West Midlands Combined Authority level. It was suggested that this should link in with the Sustainability and Transformation Plan. Dr. Watt also mentioned that Walsall had a poor legacy of industrial disease which was working its way through and so some in-depth work had been done on this. She offered to submit this information to the Board and how prevention work is resourced in the future to help inform comments in this regard.

With regard to the indicator showing an increase in cancer mortality rates between Walsall and the rest of England, Mr Tulley said that Walsall was behind the main national screening process and also diagnosis.

Members were concerned that the Board needed assurance that Walsall patients were getting the best care and that constant efforts were being made to meet the targets and considered that more information was needed in future reports to provide that assurance.

Resolved

- (1) That the Health and Wellbeing Board considers that more detailed information is needed in future reports 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 “Reducing the burden of preventable disease, disability and death” into account when considering commissioning priorities.

369/17 Health and Wellbeing Board links to planning and regulatory processes

The Chair presented a report which provided information as to how the planning and regulatory decision processes could be used to improve health in Walsall:

(see annexed)

The Board discussed the proposal to set up a series of forums to consider issues in the areas of planning and regulatory service during which time members stressed the importance of using Marmot objectives and moving to “Healthy for all” policies which were coherent and practical.

Chief Superintendent Clews mentioned that the Safer Walsall Partnership had recently agreed four areas of focus – Reducing reoffending; Contest (counter-terrorism); Substance Misuse (drugs alcohol tobacco); and Domestic Violence and that an identified lead on these would be from Public Health. She said that the scope of the Domestic Violence and Tobacco enforcement work was being widened to look at licensing controls and suggested that this work could report back through this process.

Members recognised that efforts to improve the situation via planning and licensing were restricted by legislation and evidence however; they were keen to take the opportunity to influence those processes as they directly impacted upon the physical and mental health of Walsall residents.

In supporting the proposal, David Haley offered to assist, particularly with the School Improvement Team, should there be any call on the Children and Young People’s Board or the Safeguarding Boards.

Resolved

That the proposal contained in the report be agreed.

370/17 Health and Wellbeing Strategy: progress to date

The Health and Wellbeing Programme Manager, presented a progress report on the health and wellbeing strategy and sought approval to extend the completion deadline:

(see annexed)

Mrs. Boneham introduced Dr. R. Chapman, Public Health Speciality Registrar who explained the report and key themes in more detail. She said that the strategy was intended to be a partnership plan for Walsall notwithstanding that not all partners were Board members.

Members discussed the report during which time it was considered that whilst the proposal seemed logical, there was concern that it should not deflect from the core business of the Board and that it potentially took away direct health focussed outcomes. In addition, the Board would wish to understand and the governance arrangements before supporting the proposal fully.

Resolved

- (1) That the direction of travel with regard to the proposed format set out in Appendix A be supported in principle and that further reports be submitted to the Health and Wellbeing Board in due course.
- (2) That the completion deadline be extended to 24 April 2016 to allow for effective consultation.

371/17 Better Care Fund 2016/17 and reporting timeline for 2017/19

The Head of Integrated Commissioning, Adult Social Care Ms. K. Allward presented the report summarising the adjusted timeline for reporting the Better Care Fund Quarter 3 performance and the Plan for 2017 to 2019:

(see annexed)

Members were concerned about the position with regard to the delays in discharge from hospital and consequently the Chair suggested that in addition to recommendations in the report, the Board should resolve as follows:

- (3) That the Health and Wellbeing Board note with concern the lack of progress with key indices in relation to delay in discharges from hospitals which is funded by the Government.

Members concurred and it was:

Resolved

- (1) That the change to the published 2016/17 Quarter 3 data collection timeframe be noted and that as a result of these changes the Quarter 3 outturn will be presented to the Board at its special meeting on 15 February 2017.
- (2) That the proposed timetable of governance reporting of the Better Care Fund 2017-19 be noted.
- (3) That the Health and Wellbeing Board note with concern the lack of progress with key indices in relation to delay in discharges from hospitals which is funded by the Government.

372/17 Healthwatch Walsall

The recently appointed Chair of Healthwatch Walsall, Mr J. Taylor, attended and was welcomed to the meeting.

(a) **Priorities report**

The Chief Executive of Healthwatch Walsall, Mr. S. Fogell presented a report setting out the results of the survey undertaken by Healthwatch Walsall to establish the public's priorities for health and social care:

(see annexed)

Mr Fogell highlighted the priority areas which were identified by the public during consultation and these were:

1. Accident and Emergency
2. GP Access and Out of Hours
3. Mental Health
4. Adult and Children's Social Care
5. Cancer Care

He added that the priority for Healthwatch England was Mental Health.

Members discussed the report during which time it was noted that these priorities would be fed into the public event on 28 February at Manor Farm Community Association. In addition members were keen to ensure that the priorities of the various organisations were joined up if they were the same.

Resolved

That the contents of the report be noted.

(b) **Update report**

The Chief Officer, Mr S. Fogell presented a report updating members on the work Healthwatch had undertaken over the last six months since the commencement of the new provider Engaging Communities:

(see annexed)

The Board welcomed the report and were keen to continue to receive regular update reports.

Resolved

That the content of the report be noted.

373/17 Work programme 2016/17

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

(see annexed)

The Chair considered that it would be helpful for the Board to receive updates from the Board's partner organisations on the work they were doing which impacted on Health and Wellbeing. Representatives on the Board indicated that they were content with this suggestion and that these be included in the work programme.

Resolved

That the work programme be noted.

374/17 Key promotional messages

The Council's communications lead, Mr R. Bolton attended and advised that he attended a communications partnership group with other partner agencies which co-ordinated messages to ensure consistency. He advised the Board of the current communication messages which included:

- Cervical Cancer prevention week
- Dudley and Walsall Mental Health Trust talking therapy service
- Clinical Commissioning Group – Essentials for the medicine cabinet
- Promotions about sugar intake
- Public Health Quit smoking service
- Super wiggles – 2 to 7yr olds
- Stay Well Walsall: Flu Jab, keeping warm and pharmacist services

375/17 Date of next meetings

15 February 2017 at 1.00 p.m. (Special)
6 March 2017 at 6.00 p.m.

The meeting terminated at 7.45 p.m.

Chair:

Date: