

HEALTH & WELLBEING BOARD

Minutes of a meeting of the Health & Wellbeing Board held on Thursday, 26 September 2019 at 2.00 pm in Meeting Rooms G3/G4, Addenbrooke House, Ironmasters Way, Telford, TF3 4NT

Present:

Cllr P Watling (Chair) – Labour Group TWC
Cllr A J Burford - Cabinet Member for Health & Social Care, TWC
Cllr R C Evans - Cabinet Member for Customer Services, Partnership, Culture & Leisure, TWC
Cllr S A W Reynolds - Cabinet Member for Children, Young People & Education TWC
Cllr H Rhodes - Cabinet Member for Parks Green Spaces & The Natural Environment, TWC
Cllr K T Tomlinson - Liberal Democrat / Independent Group, TWC
Cllr I T W Fletcher, Conservative Group TWC
B Parnaby - Healthwatch, Telford & Wrekin,
D Evans - Telford & Wrekin CCG
C Jones - Director of Children & Adult Services, TWC
L Noakes - Director of Public Health
R Woods - NHS England (North Midlands - Shropshire & Staffordshire)
P Moxley - Community Safety Partnership
C Hart – Voluntary Sector Representative

In Attendance:

P Bason - Programme Manager, STP
C Davis – NHS Shropshire CCG
F Ellis, Programme Manager, TW CCG
J Galkowski – Democratic Services and Scrutiny Officer
D Moseley – Democratic Services and Scrutiny Team Leader
N McKay – Chair, S&TW STP
H Potter – Research & Intelligence Manager, TWC
J Tangye – Partnership Manager
S Wain – Commissioning Specialist, TWC

Apologies: J Leahy and S Dillon

10 Declarations of Interest

None.

11 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

RESOLVED – that the minutes of the meeting held on the 6 June 2019 be approved by the Chair.

12 **Telford & Wrekin Health and Wellbeing Board Terms of Reference 2019-2020**

The Democratic Services and Scrutiny Team leader presented this report which set out the decision made by Full Council on 25 July 2019 to update the terms of reference for the Health & Wellbeing Board. The changes made were to the Membership in order to reflect the new Cabinet Member priorities and service areas and in addition, recognised the changed role of both Cabinet Members and elected Members generally by allowing the appointment of a non-Cabinet member to the position of Chair (without precluding a Cabinet Member from taking the Chair).

RESOLVED - that the Terms of Reference be noted and accepted.

13 **Appointment of Chair**

RESOLVED – that Councillor Paul Watling be elected as Chair for the remainder of the 2019/20 municipal year.

14 **Annual Public Health Report 2018-19**

The Board received the Annual Public Health Report from the Director of Public Health at Telford & Wrekin Council. The Report provided a review of progress in improving population health since the return of the local public health function to Telford and Wrekin Council in 2013 and evaluated the impact public health activities had had on the health of the Borough population during this period. An update on the local position across the Public Health Outcomes Framework was also included which provided a picture of population health indicators across the life course. The Report aimed to inform on matters affecting local health and wellbeing, and made recommendations which contributed to the development of the next Health & Wellbeing Strategy. The Report contained five chapters exploring the socio-economic impact on physical and mental health well-being; each chapter focused on the actions taken by partner organisations and the local community and their impact on improving outcomes.

Members praised the report, particularly noting that health inequalities existed between socio-economic classes which were exacerbated by national economic policy and between sexes. Local partner initiatives which played a part in closing the gap were welcomed. The Board paid tribute to the progress that had been made, but said there was more to do going forward.

The Director of Public Health noted that the recommendations were currently at a high level which reflected the Board being at the stage of setting its strategy - more details would come out when the strategy was confirmed.

RESOLVED – that the 2019 Annual Report of the Director of Public Health be endorsed and the recommendations be supported

15 **JSNA Update: Understanding Telford and Wrekin 2019**

The Board received this report which highlighted publication of a document called “Understanding Telford and Wrekin 2019: A Demographic, Health and Socio-Economic Profile of our Communities” by the Research and Intelligence Manager at Telford and Wrekin Council. The document was refreshed every two years and the report intended to make Members aware of the document, highlight key themes and signpost to the full profile. The document formed a key foundation of the Telford and Wrekin Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA). The report contained a breakdown of each chapter and condensed high level information which had been fed into the Annual Public Health report.

The Board were told that the aim of the document was to provide an initial starting point for information about the Borough of Telford & Wrekin and could in turn, inform the council and its partners on the priorities and policy decisions necessary for the Borough.

Members noted the usefulness of the document in further understanding the needs of their ward and how they contrasted with different wards and communities.

RESOLVED – to note;

- (a) the publication of ‘Understanding Telford and Wrekin: A Demographic Health and Socio-Economic Profile of our Communities’;**
- (b) that the JSNA inform the refresh of the Health & Wellbeing Strategy;**
- and**
- (c) any developments to current work streams be based on any new intelligence.**

16 Refresh of Telford and Wrekin Health and Wellbeing Strategy

The Board received the report of the Director for Public Health at Telford and Wrekin Council which explained that under the Social Care Act 2012, it was a statutory requirement for the Health and Wellbeing Board to develop a Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy. The current Strategy covered 2016-2019 and therefore a review was necessary to cover 2020-2023.

The report proposed a strategic framework for the new Health and Wellbeing strategy and a process for refreshing the priorities. It was also proposed a “light touch” approach be taken in the refresh for the Strategy, building upon engagement taken in the Integrated Place Based working and more engaged thoroughly with community and voluntary sector. The timeline and process for engagement as set out in the report.

Members were pleased to see the alignment of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy and Integrated Place Partnership in their outcomes, encapsulated in paragraph number 5 of the report which related to many themes within Health & Wellbeing.

RESOLVED:

- (a) the strategic objectives of the Integrated Place Partnership be endorsed and form the strategic framework for the new Health & Wellbeing Strategy. These are:
- Building Community Capacity and Resilience
 - Prevention and Healthy Lifestyles
 - Early Access to Advice and Information
 - Integrated Care and Support Pathways.
- (b) the inclusion of 'improving outcomes for giving every child the best start in life' and 'improving outcomes for complex vulnerable groups' in the new Health and Wellbeing Strategy be endorsed; and
- (c) the process for refreshing priorities against the strategic framework be approved.

17 Mental Health Update including Suicide Prevention

The Board received the report of the Commissioning Specialist which provided an update of the work undertaken across Telford and Wrekin to improve and support the mental health of the local residents. The report was split into two sections, an update on the Mental Health Strategy including 0-25 emotional health and wellbeing service and support for survivors of Child Sexual Exploitation / Abuse and the other an update on Suicide Prevention. The report included high level statistics and examples of the organisations and initiatives to deliver the service.

Members raised concerns regarding staffing resources and having the capacity to deliver and were informed a wider approach was being taken to the delivery of services by utilising allied professionals rather than just recruiting nurses; a creative work model was needed and kept a full complement of staff.

In response to comments regarding the waiting list for assessment of children and young people with Autistic Spectrum Disorder, the Board were advised that this was not included in the mental health strategy however a new initiative would see the waiting list time reduced to a more nationally accepted level.

RESOLVED – that the update of both programmes of work be noted.

18 Integration of Health and Social Care - Telford's 'Place' Approach and Progress

The Board considered the report of the Assistant Director of Adult Social Care for Telford and Wrekin Council and the Deputy Executive Integrated Care at the CCG which summarised the evolution of the "Neighbourhood Working" initiative to the "Integrated Place Programme", including the expansion of the Neighbourhood Steering Group into the Telford & Wrekin Integrated Place Partnership to drive the directional change to delivering community based support to the people living within the boundaries of Telford and Wrekin. The

report outlined the objectives of the Integrated Place Programme, highlighted progress made so far and summarised the next steps for the next 6-12 months.

Members welcomed the positive and proactive approach, commenting on the necessity for resources to be used effectively to create a healthier population that relieved demand on health and adult care with an overall emphasis to keep people at home and prevent hospital admission.

RESOLVED – that;

(a) the progress set out in the report be noted and a further update report be presented in March 2020; and

(b) the Integrated Place Programme and its objectives for 2019/2020 be endorsed.

19 STP Long Term Plan

The Board received an update from Sir Neil Mackay and Penny Button on the Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin Sustainability and Transformation Partnership Long Term Plan. The report summarised the one system plan for how all partners within the STP would work together locally to ensure current and future health care needs were met. It also described how the STP would deliver its agreed priorities and the requirements of the NHS Long Term Plan Implementation Framework. The report included a detailed plan of the Long Term Plan development and the sign-off process. The report provided a summarised version of each of the 12 chapters within the document.

Members noted the importance of staff capacity as many objectives within the report were dependent on this. It was suggested that partnerships with universities were crucial to developing career paths in health and social care and the Board was advised that exciting work with Wolverhampton and Stafford University was taking place around domiciliary care and creating a sense of prestige in the sector.

A number of Board Members raised concerns at the loss of the children and young people perspective, and that mental health should be a key priority. These comments were noted by the STP representatives.

Members also expressed interest in the involvement of independent bodies such as Healthwatch and were advised that there was a semi-formal partnership but it was acknowledged that this needed further development.

RESOLVED – that the contents of the report be noted.

20 Single Strategic Commissioner for Shropshire & Telford and Wrekin CCG

The Board considered the report of the Accountable Officers from the NHS Telford and Wrekin Clinical Commissioning Group and NHS Shropshire Clinical Commissioning Group.

In November 2018 NHS England (NHSE) had set a new running cost savings target of 20% for CCGs to attain by the end of the financial year 2019/20. Following this announcement in January 2019, the NHS Long Term Plan was published setting out key ambitions for the service over the next 10 years. The long term plan included the requirement to streamline commissioning organisations with typically one commissioner for each STP/Integrated Care System. In response to these announcements and with NHSE support, Shropshire CCG and Telford & Wrekin CCG carried out separate facilitated sessions and then a joint session early in 2019 to begin exploring the appetite for and mechanisms required to support closer working. The report noted that these sessions were positively received and resulted in a firm commitment to explore the formation of a strategic commissioning organisation to cover the entire county.

The Board was unanimous in its concerns on the creation of the new organisation. Members expressed their worry that the new organisation would cover a large area, and there needed to be mitigation against the risk that there would be a tendency for a centralised pool of management and control to be created. Members felt that this would impact local commissioning, and expressed a clear preference for decisions to be made on a local level unless otherwise needed and could be justified. The Board were keen to see the wording of the proposal of the creation of the new organisation at the next stage to make sure the intentions outlined in the document would be actualized. The Board was met with the response that similar worries had been expressed by GP's, organisations and politicians, however the new organisation would be dedicated to making something work for all the population and local authority to create a delivery model going forward.

Members asked about the timeline for the creation of the new organisation and were told that, timescales permitting, an update could be brought in December.

RESOLVED – that;

(a) the report be noted; and

(b) in light of comments made on the plan and rationale to create a single strategic commissioner for the whole Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin footprint, that no indication of the level of support for the proposals be made at this time.

21 Transforming Midwifery Care Programme

The Board received an update on Transforming Midwifery Care in Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin. The report included a summary of the reasons for the change in Midwifery care, the Birthing options that would become available to Women in the region as well as the different models the transformation could be actualized.

Members welcomed the updated report, but emphasized the continued necessity to make sure the hardest to reach and marginalized groups were active participants in the consultation. The Board were reminded that before the consultation, thorough engagement with seldom heard groups had taken place and close work continued with Healthwatch to make sure the hardest to reach communities had an opportunity to respond to the proposals.

Concerns were raised regarding the distance of the proposed hubs with the response that the Hubs would be able to provide outreach, and likewise, Midwifery teams would not be staffed in buildings in order for them to be able to work flexibly, going where they were needed depending on the demand.

RESOLVED – that the report be noted.

The meeting ended at 4.10 pm

Chairman:

Date: Wednesday, 13 November 2019