Health Scrutiny Committee

Minutes of the meeting held on 20 June 2017

Present:

Councillor Farrell – In the Chair Councillors Midgley, Mary Monaghan, Reeves, Smitheman, Teubler, Webb, Wills and Wilson

Councillor Craig, Executive Member for Adult Health and Wellbeing

Nick Gomm, Director of Corporate Affairs, Manchester Health and Care Commissioning

Apologies:

Councillors Curley and O'Neil

HSC/17/21 Appointment of Chair

Councillor Farrell was nominated to Chair the meeting. This was seconded and approved.

Decision

To appoint Councillor Farrell to Chair the meeting.

HSC/17/22 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of 2 March 2017 were submitted for approval as a correct record. Cllr Wilson requested that his attendance at the meeting be recorded.

Decision

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 2 March 2017 subject to the above amendment.

HSC/17/23 Our Manchester

The Committee considered the report of the Strategic Director, Adult Social Care and the Director of Population Health and Wellbeing. The report set out how Our Manchester would be an integral part of both Manchester Health and Care Commissioning (MHCC) and the emerging Local Care Organisation (LCO). The Director of Population Health & Wellbeing introduced the report.

He informed the Committee that the Our Manchester approach was being used to engage in a dialogue with a range of stakeholders including the Voluntary and Community Sector to influence the design and commissioning of services. The Strategic Director, Adult Social Care then described the Local Care Organisation (LCO) as a partnership between the Council; the Single Hospital Service represented by Central Manchester Foundation Trust; the GP Federation and the Greater Manchester Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust. She said that an Executive Team had been established to coordinate the design of the LCO and that the Executive Team were committed to embedding the Our Manchester approach into their various work streams. She suggested that the Committee may wish to invite the Chief Executive Team to a future meeting to discuss the Local Care Organisation.

In response to a question regarding the 12 Integrated Neighbourhood Teams the Strategic Director, Adult Social Care informed the Committee that the LCO is engaging with the community and local Voluntary Community Organisations to understand what was available in each area and to identify any gaps. She said that it was understood that some areas have more local support networks and in others there was gaps. The Executive Member for Adult Health and Wellbeing informed the Committee that a report had been submitted to the June meeting of Communities and Equalities Scrutiny Committee entitled 'Our Manchester Voluntary and Community Sector Funding' that was available to view on the Council's webpages.

Decision

To note the report.

HSC/17/24 Delivering the Our Manchester Strategy

The Committee considered the report of the Executive Member for Adults, Health and Well Being. The report provided an overview of work undertaken and progress towards the delivery of the Council's priorities as set out in the Our Manchester Strategy for those areas within the portfolio of the Executive Member for Adults, Health and Well Being.

The Committee welcomed the Executive Member for Adults, Health and Well Being and congratulated her on her recent appointment to the position of Executive Member.

The Executive Member introduced her report and said that the continued successful integration of Health and Social Care was a priority for her and that the Our Manchester approach underpins this important area of work. She said it was an opportunity to fundamentally change and improved the health outcomes for residents and improve life chances, and that it was important that these changes were articulated in a manner so that residents were informed and aware of these developments. She said that consideration also had to be given to the wider determinants of health, such as work; employment; housing and poverty and that the Devolution Deal provided an opportunity to address these issues.

In response to a Members question regarding the role of Public Health she said that the ongoing integration of services would help place more emphasis on the

importance of prevention work to keep people well, healthy and enable them to live in their own homes and local community and not reliant on acute services.

She said that mental health continued to be a priority for her and acknowledged the commitment the Committee had provided over the years to this important area of work. She informed the Committee that she had asked her Assistant Executive Member, Cllr Bridges, along with Cllr Midgley, the Council's Mental Health Champion to undertake a review of the transition to Adult Mental Health Services. She said that a report that described this review and the final recommendations would be submitted to the Committee later in the year.

The Executive Member for Adult Health and Wellbeing described that Safeguarding was another priority for her and that more needed to be done to raise the awareness of the abuse and neglect of older people.

A Member welcomed the stated commitment within the report from the Executive Member to supporting carers. The member commented that carers were often isolated within the community and more needed to be done to identify and support these carers. A Member commented that this was also the case for the many young carers across the city that were unknown to services. The Executive Member for Adult Health and Wellbeing said that she had attended a number events organised for carers and that the Carers Strategy Action Plan had recently been updated and this would be submitted to a future meeting of the Committee for consideration and comment. She further suggested that members may wish to invite a range of carer organisations to speak to the Committee when this report was to be considered.

The Strategic Director, Adult Social Care responded to the comment raised regarding young carers and said that work had been done by Education to identify and sign post young carers to support and services. She further advised that the Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee had received reports on this area of activity.

A member enquired if IRIS (Identification and Referral to Improve Safety), a general practice-based domestic violence and abuse (DVA) training support and referral programme with GPs was still ongoing. The Strategic Director, Adult Social Care responded that IRIS was still progressing to train doctors to ask the right questions and link patients with domestic violence advisors. She further advised that domestic abuse advice workers were now established in all the three Hospital Maternity Service Departments.

Decision

To note the report.

HSC/17/25 Quality Accounts 2016 / 2017

The Committee received the report of the Governance and Scrutiny Support Unit. The Committee was invited to note the Health Scrutiny Committee's responses to the Quality Accounts submitted by the University Hospitals of South Manchester Foundation Trust (UHSM) and Greater Manchester Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust (GMMH) that were appended to this report.

Decision

To note the responses to the Quality Accounts submitted by University Hospitals of South Manchester Foundation Trust and Greater Manchester Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust.

HSC/17/26 Health and Wellbeing Update

The Committee received a report of the Strategic Director Adult Social Care which provided an overview of developments across Health and Social Care and the local NHS.

The Committee welcomed the information provided and requested that reports be submitted to the Committee for consideration at an appropriate time that described the development of the Local Care Orgnaisations and the new models of service delivery and a report that provided an update on the Transformation Fund and analysis of the investment and if these would deliver the savings required.

The Strategic Director Adult Social Care said that it was important that Members and Officers to try and influence the Social Care Green Paper that was currently being prepared.

Decision

The Committee note the report and requested that a report on the development of the Local Care Organisations and the Transformation Fund be submitted for consideration at an appropriate time.

HSC/17/27 Overview report

A report of the Governance and Scrutiny Support Unit which contained key decisions within the Committee's remit and responses to previous recommendations was submitted for comment. Members were also invited to agree the Committee's future work programme.

The Committee commented on the number of CQC ratings of 'Requires Improvement' or 'Inadequate' that were given to Care Homes following inspection. A member commented that unlike Ofsted inspections residents were not aware of these ratings as they were not widely publicised.

The Strategic Director, Adult Social Care said that the majority of Care Homes received a rating of 'Good' for the category of 'Caring' however were rated 'Requires Improvement' or 'Inadequate' following assessment of their administrative proceedings for example. A Member commented that even those that received a

rating of 'Good' for 'Caring' were still rated as 'Inadequate' for 'Safety' which is a concern for the wellbeing of residents.

The Strategic Director, Adult Social Care informed the Committee that a Multi-Disciplinary Team had been established to visit and work with those Care Home rated as Requires Improvement to assist them in addressing the issues identified by the CQC. The Executive Member for Adult Health and Wellbeing also said that she would be arranging briefing sessions with Commissioners and Ward Members when and Inadequate rating was reported. She further commented that the Committee may wish to consider receiving a report that described the CQC assessment process and the proactive work that results following an inspection. She further commented that a Quarterly Dashboard could be provided that described the monitoring of Care Homes following inspection. Members welcomed this. A member commented that securing a safe and caring Nursing Home for a family member could be very difficult resulting in stress for individuals and families.

A member commented that following the Brexit decision the number of nurses from Europe wanting to work in the UK had reduced. The Strategic Director, Adult Social Care said that the issue of recruiting nurses to work in nursing homes was a national problem. She said that work was underway with Education providers within the city to address this, develop careers pathways and to encourage people entering the profession to consider the wider areas of care as a positive career choice rather than those traditional models. The Strategic Director Adult Social Care suggested that the Committee may wish to consider inviting FE and HE providers to a future meeting to discuss this area of work.

Decisions

To note the report and approve the work programme.

HSC/17/28 Hazel Summers, Strategic Director Adult Social Care

The Chair informed the Committee that this was the last meeting of the Health Scrutiny Committee that Hazel Summers, Strategic Director Adult Social Care would be attending. The Committee and all those present thanked her for hard work and support to the Committee and wished her well for the future.