

Health and Wellbeing Board

Minutes of the meeting held on 15 March 2017

Present

Councillor Richard Leese, Leader of the Council (Chair)
Councillor Paul Andrews, Executive Member for Adults (MCC)
Councillor Sue Murphy, Executive Member for Public Service Reform (MCC)
Councillor Sheila Newman, Executive Member for Children (MCC)
Michael Greenwood, Chair, North Manchester Clinical Commissioning Group
Nic Gower, attending for Kathy Cowell Chair, Central Manchester Foundation Trust
Dr Philip Burns, Chair, South Manchester Clinical Commissioning Group
Jane McCall, attending for Barry Clare, Chair, University Hospital South Manchester
Rupert Nichols, Chair, Greater Manchester Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust
Jim Potter, Chair, Penine Acute Hospital Trust
Mike Wild, Voluntary and Community Sector representative
Vicky Szulist, Chair, Manchester Healthwatch
Hazel Summers, Strategic Director of Adult Social Services
David Regan, Director of Public Health
Paul Marshall, Director of Children's Services

Apologies

Barry Clare, Chair, University Hospital South Manchester
Kathy Cowell Chair, Central Manchester Foundation Trust
Dr Mike Eeckelaers, Chair, Central Manchester Clinical Commissioning Group

HWB/17/9 Minutes

Decision

To agree the minutes of the Health and Wellbeing Board meeting on 18 January 2017.

HWB/17/10 Manchester Health and Care Commissioning.

The report of Chief Officer (designate) Manchester Health and Care Commissioning was presented to the Board by the Executive Director – Planning and Operations (designate) Manchester Health and Care Commissioning.

This report provided an update regarding the development of Manchester Health and Care Commissioning as the single commissioning function for the City. The report informed the Board that good progress is being made with this development and a number of key milestones have been met.

The Board noted that the merger of the three Manchester CCGs has now been approved. NHS Manchester CCG will be established with effect from April 1st 2017. This follows a vote of the three GP memberships to agree the merger. It was

encouraging that all three memberships had a turnout rate of over 75% and over 90% supported the recommendation.

The Board noted that there have been a number of appointments around the MHCC Board and this process is expected to be complete by mid-March. The Board were told that a note of further appointments would be circulated as appropriate.

The Board were also advised that the agreement to the Manchester Health and Care Commissioning as the single commissioning function for the City was conditional on the additional funding given to the North Manchester Clinical Commissioning Group in December 2015, being ring-fenced for provision in the north of the City. The Board were told that this means that there will be a provision of approximately £13 million for future investment in the North, which will be reflected in the accounts for the next financial year.

The Board queried whether Manchester Health and Care Commissioning will be a distinct legal entity, and were told that there will not be a separate legal entity as this proved impractical to set up, but that there will be a committee with a delegation arrangement from all of the Manchester CCG's and the Council, but that this will in effect operate as a single entity.

The Board also noted that the recent Budget announcement meant that there would be an additional £12.96 million for extra provision for Adult Social Care, which will decline over a 3 year period. This will mean that at the end of the 3 year period the budget for Adult Social Care will be back at the level originally predicted. The Council intend to use this additional investment to accelerate the transformation programme rather than fill in gaps in funding.

Decision

To note the report.

HWB/17/11 City of Manchester Single Hospital Service Update.

The Director, Single Hospital Service Programme presented the report to the Board. The report provided an update for the Health and Wellbeing Board on the City of Manchester Single Hospital Service Programme.

The Board noted that the governance arrangements continue to work effectively, and that this continues to include all 3 Trusts in the work being undertaken. The Board welcomed the fact that progress is good in all areas.

Decision

To note the report.

HWB/17/12 Family Poverty Strategy.

The report was presented by the Executive Member for Public Service Reform (MCC). The report set out the progress that has been made in developing a

refreshed Family Poverty Strategy for Manchester. The draft Strategy sets out the methodology that has been followed and suggests 10 priorities which need to be delivered under three themes.

At a national level it had been decided that Local Authorities would not have to have a Child or Family Poverty Strategy, and ended some of the indices used to measure this. Manchester City Council decided that as there are still significant areas of deprivation and poverty in the city, they would continue to have a strategy to assist with supporting families in need. The strategy was developed using the “Our Manchester” methodology, which meant that the views of families living in low income areas of the city have been listened to at an early stage to inform the development of the Strategy, rather than simply being consulted on a set of draft priorities. The Strategy also focuses on sustainable work opportunities as a route out of poverty in the long term, and how this can be achieved. Another area of importance is that of boosting resilience, and Resilience factors will be developed from the analysis of the strength based conversations with residents.

The Board welcomed the report and the comprehensive analysis it provided. The Board expressed particular concern about the rent-to-own companies charging a premium to purchase furniture and electrical household products. The Board expressed the opinion that action similar to that taken to regulate payday loan companies could be used to tackle this issue.

The Board also questioned whether Academy Schools were still providing Grant support to families who had to purchase school uniform, as this was identified as a particular difficulty for low income families. Officers advised the Board that they would investigate this and circulate a response as appropriate.

The Board also expressed surprise that the research did not indicate that there was a direct link between poverty and children entering the care system, but conceded that deprivation and poverty did feed into family life and that while no direct causal link could be established it was certainly a factor in children being looked-after by local authorities.

The Board acknowledged that there was still a challenge to be met to improve Health outcomes across the City, as the outcomes are disproportionately low compared to the level of poverty across the City as a whole. In addition, the Board queried whether the issue of private landlords and high rent would be addressed at a Greater Manchester level rather than just at a City Council level, as this was a problem across the wider conurbation and not just restricted to Manchester. The Board were told that responsibility for this would remain within the individual local authorities, but that it was difficult to address this issue robustly within the existing legislative framework.

The Board welcomed the recommendation that children should be empowered and inspired by being set challenging but realistic goals to enable them to reach their full potential and achieve the best possible outcome.

The Board noted that the deadline for comment on the draft strategy was the end of March 2017, and that the Strategy would also be considered by Executive at an appropriate time after this.

Decision

To note the report.

HWB/17/13 Joint Strategic Needs Assessment for Adults and Older People.

The Director of Public Health presented the report to the Board. Overseeing the production of the JSNA is one of the statutory responsibilities of the Health and Wellbeing Board. Following the meeting of the Health and Wellbeing Board on 31st August 2016, the new Joint Commissioning Executive (JCE) agreed to take on the operational leadership and oversight of the JSNA work in the city.

Good progress has been made on updating the Adults' and Older People's JSNA and a number of topics are scheduled for publication by the end of March 2017. A new Our Manchester approach to the development of a co-produced JSNA chapter on migrant and refugee populations in the city is currently being piloted and the work of the Urban Village Medical Practice in assessing the health needs of homeless people in Manchester was presented to the Board.

The Board noted the complexity of the issues around Homelessness and commented that a structured approach to the issue was needed to ensure that support and services were targeted where the need was greatest and the positive impact would be maximised.

Decision

1. To note the topics scheduled for publication as part of the JSNA for adults and older people at the end of March 2017
2. To note the work underway to pilot a new Our Manchester approach to the development of JSNA topic reports

HWB/17/14 Manchester Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment 2017-2020.

The Director of Public Health presented the report to the Board. The provision of pharmaceutical services falls under the National Health Service (Pharmaceutical and Local Pharmaceutical services) Regulations 2013. The regulations cover the production of this Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA). The responsibility for producing the PNA is that of the local Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB).

The regulations state that the HWB must undertake a consultation on the content of the PNA and the consultation must run for minimum of 60 days. The HWB agreed to the commencement of the consultation back in August 2016 and a final draft is now available for board approval.

The Board expressed concern that it was increasingly easy to obtain prescription only items via online pharmacies and asked for clarification as to how this potentially dangerous practice could be controlled. Officers confirmed that the Care Quality Commission were investigating this issue, and looking at the organisations that sat behind the online pharmacies and prescribing physicians that provided the prescriptions that allowed prescription only products to be purchased online. Officers also confirmed that the General Pharmaceutical Council have expressed concern about this issue.

Decision

1. To note the report.
2. To approve the final report for publication.

HWB/17/15 Manchester Public Health Annual Report 2016-17.

The Director of Public Health presented the report to the Board. Under the provisions of the Health Service Act 2006, the Director of Public Health (DPH) must produce an annual report on the health of the population for their area.

The Board queried the figures provided for childhood obesity, and it was confirmed that while levels of childhood obesity at Year 6 had not changed, obesity levels at reception age had reduced slightly.

A programme of measurement has been implemented to try to find out what was going wrong and when it was going wrong for children. The measurement programme identified that physical activity levels in children started to decrease at about the age of 7 years, and that further work was being undertaken to identify why this was and how outcomes could be improved.

Decision

1. To note the report.
2. To approve the final report for publication.

HWB/17/16 Better Care Fund.

The report of City Treasurer (Manchester City Council) and Chief Financial Officer (North, South and Central Clinical Commissioning Groups) was presented to the Board. The report provided the Board with an overview of the template submitted for Better Care Fund Quarter 3 2016/17 performance. The information contained in the report has been submitted to NHS England, and it is a legal requirement that it is also submitted to the Health and Wellbeing Board.

Decision

To note the report.

HWB/17/17 Chair's special business.

The Chair asked the Board acknowledge the outstanding commitment to the work of the Health and Wellbeing Board that has been made by outgoing members.

Decision

To recognise the outstanding commitment to the work of the Health and Wellbeing Board that has been made by Councillor Paul Andrews, Executive Member for Adults (MCC), Michael Greenwood, Chair, North Manchester Clinical Commissioning Group and Dr Mike Eeckelaers, Chair, Central Manchester Clinical Commissioning Group.