

HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

Friday, 15 July 2022

Minutes of the meeting held at Guildhall at 11.30 am

Present

Members:

Mary Durcan (Chairman)
Deputy Marianne Fredericks (Deputy Chairman)
Gail Beer
Matthew Bell
Andrew Carter
Sandra Husbands
Gavin Stedman

In Attendance:

Helen Fentimen – Deputy Chair of Community and Children’s Services Committee
Jonathan McShane - NHS
Umer Khan – City of London Police

Officers:

Simon Cribbens - Assistant Director, Partnerships and Commissioning, Community and Children’s Services
Xenia Koumi - Community and Children’s Services
Chris Lovitt - Deputy Director of Public Health – City and Hackney
Andrew Trathen - Public Health – City and Hackney
Angela Birch - Public Health – City and Hackney
Dianna Divajeva - Public Health – City and Hackney
Philip Saunders - Remembrancer’s Department
Chris Rumbles - Town Clerks

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Ruby Sayed (Chair of Community and Children’s Services Committee) – represented by Helen Fentimen; Nina Griffiths (NHS) – represented by Jonathan McShane and Steve Heatley – (City of London Police) – represented by Umer Khan.

2. DECLARATIONS UNDER THE CODE OF CONDUCT IN RESPECT OF ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

There were no declarations.

3. MINUTES

RESOLVED, that – the public minutes and non-public summary of the meeting held on 6th May 2022 be approved.

4. **SUMMARY AND IMPACT ASSESSMENT OF THE NEW HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE ACT**

The Board received a report of the Remembrancer in respect of the Health and Social Care Act 2022, which will introduce Integrated Care Systems (ICSs). Members noted that the ICSs will be partnerships of providers and commissioners of NHS services across a geographical area, together with local authorities and other local partners.

During the discussion and questions, the following points were noted:

- a) It might be timely to review the Board's Terms of Reference, possibly including a representative from Tower Hamlets.
- b) Under the previous arrangement, decisions were taken by the Integrated Commissioning Partnership Board (ICPB) on behalf of each statutory organisation, and not just the NHS. There was a general agreement that this model, with 3 Members and Deputies, had worked well.
- c) A meeting had been scheduled to consider governance matters further, with the Director of Community and Children's Services in attendance. Officers agreed to circulate the draft membership to the Board, noting that not all places had been confirmed.
- d) The Director of Public Health expressed concern about the changes being communicated at such a late stage. It was noted that the secondary legislation guidance had been delayed and, officers had received it, the Board would be able to review its Terms of Reference.
- e) Healthwatch would like to have more information in terms of how it will impact on service users and patient involvement and felt that the current structure lacked some clarity in terms of decision making and accountability.
- f) NHS England have indicated that there will be no delegations in the first year, whilst the new structures bed in.
- g) The Department of Community and Children's Services are seeking advice from the City Solicitor in terms of governance and representation of City Members, given the City's unique position in that it does not have Members with executive decision making powers.

RESOLVED, that – the report be noted.

5. **PRESENTATION FROM ALZHEIMER'S AND DEMENTIA UK**

This presentation was deferred to the next meeting of the Board On 16th September 2022.

6. **HEALTHWATCH CITY OF LONDON PROGRESS REPORT**

The Board received a report of the Chair of Healthwatch, City of London, which updated Members on progress against contractual targets and the work of Healthwatch City of London (HWCoL) in Quarter 1 - 2022/23. Members noted that the service relies on volunteers and thanked Healthwatch for an excellent report and their positive impact on the local community.

RESOLVED, that – the report be noted.

7. **PROPOSAL FOR A JOINT CHILDREN'S & FAMILIES HEALTH AND WELLBEING FRAMEWORK**

The Board considered a joint report of the Director of Public Health (City and Hackney) and the Director of Community and Children's Services, which outlined a proposal to develop a Joint Children & Families Health and Wellbeing Framework (the Framework), which will align with the City and Hackney's Vision and the integrated outcomes framework, which may include NHS, public health, social care and educational outcomes, where relevant. Members noted that the London Borough of Hackney's Cabinet had approved this report as a key decision on 27 June 2022.

During the discussion on this item, the following points were noted:

- a) It would be helpful to Members of the City of London Corporation if more information could be provided about Hackney's vision and strategic priorities. The Director of Public Health agreed to include this in appendices to future reports.
- b) Officers agreed to engage with the City Corporation's Young People's Portfolio Holder.
- c) The Assistant Director, Commissioning and Partnerships, assured Members of the high level of engagement in drafting this report. The City of London Corporation's views were being included, to ensure alignment with the City Corporation's strategic priorities and direction.
- d) In respect of those City residents who use Tower Hamlets Primary Care Services, school nursing and health visiting will continue to be delivered in the City, regardless of where a resident's GP is located. Members noted that the London Borough of Tower Hamlets had been working on a similar framework.

In concluding, the Board generally supported the principles, noting that the report seeks to endorse a direction of travel. It was suggested that future iterations of should be more specific in terms of outcomes for both the City and Hackney. The Deputy Director of Public Health confirmed that the report is a first step in the development of the framework and the Board will have more opportunities to provide input. Members noted that, if they are minded to approve the recommendations, the City Corporation's Community and Children's Services Committee would receive the report for information at their next meeting.

RESOLVED, that:

- a) The continued direction of travel, in terms of partnership and integration across the breadth of children's health, be noted and endorsed; mirroring current integration of children's social care and education, and progressing integrated children's health work
- b) The establishment by the City of London Corporation (with Hackney Council and other applicable partners) of a Joint Children and Families Health Framework be endorsed and approved as a mechanism to support this.
- c) The development of several key partnership principles, which will underpin all children's health work going forward, be endorsed and approved, noting that they will need to be formally agreed and signed off by all relevant partners.

8. **BUSINESS HEALTHY ANNUAL UPDATE REPORT AND FORWARD PLAN**

The Board considered a joint report of the Director of Public Health and the Director of Community and Children's Services, which provided an update on the key achievements of the Business Healthy Network from May 2021 to June 2022, including progress against its strategic objectives. The report also outlined a proposed forward plan for activities to be undertaken by the Business Healthy Network in 2022/23 and beyond, to achieve its aim and objectives, and support the City Corporation in its statutory duties regarding public health. It also reviewed the priorities of the Business Healthy strategic plan (2012-2020). Xenia Koumi, Public Health Specialist, was commended for her tenacity in this project.

RESOLVED, that

1. The role Business Healthy has continued to play throughout the pandemic and "recovery" phases be noted.
2. The promotion of the Business Healthy network to employers within their wards and other key stakeholders be supported.
3. The proposed strategic priorities for the Business Healthy programme be approved.
4. The proposals for the Business Healthy forward plan, as set out in Appendix 1 to the report, be approved.

9. **JOINT STRATEGIC NEEDS ASSESSMENT (JSNA)**

The Board received a presentation from the Principal Public Health Analyst in respect of the JSNA.

In response to a question about whether incidents of substance misuse occurred amongst people entering the City or its residents, the officer advised that this data set was not yet available but both groups would be captured. The Director of Public Health advised that the JSNA is a 'needs assessment', which seeks to understand the burden of disease, in terms of what is being experienced and what is being provided. Whilst it makes recommendations in terms of how to meet requirements, it doesn't specify or review delivery or commissioning of services. The Director further explained that a transformation team will look at this

data, working with partners, to consider whether need and projected need is being met and, if not, whether pathways need to be changed or increased.

10. QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE BOARD

A Member asked about the Smoking Cessation Service and the use of vapes, noting that one particular brand is equivalent to smoking 60 cigarettes. The Director of Public Health advised that the service works with vape shops in supporting the use of the devices to wean smokers off cigarettes. The Public Health Team frequently review and evaluate evidence and, whilst E-cigarettes are less harmful than tobacco, it maintains a nicotine habit. Whilst not promoting vaping, it is a pathway to eventually quitting. The Member raised concerns about young people taking up vaping, rather than smoking, as it is a lot cheaper than cigarettes, and whether shop owners should be permitted to hand out testers. The Port Health and Public Protection Director advised that the sale of underage vaping products had been brought to the attention of National Trading Standards. The Director agreed to link up with the Director of Public Health's Team in terms of investigating this further and bringing a report to a future meeting of the Health and Wellbeing Board.

11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT

There were no items.

12. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC

RESOLVED: That - under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act.

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13. NON PUBLIC MINUTES

RESOLVED, that – the non-public minutes of the meeting held on 6th May 2022 be approved

14. NON-PUBLIC QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE BOARD

15. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT AND WHICH THE BOARD AGREES SHOULD BE CONSIDERED WHILST THE PUBLIC ARE EXCLUDED

Chairman

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