

Adult Services & Health Select Committee

A meeting of Adult Services & Health Select Committee was held on Monday, 11th June, 2007.

Present: Cllr Mrs Ann Cains (Chairman), Cllr Hilary Aggio (vice Cllr Mrs Apedaile), Cllr Jim Beall, Cllr Aidan Cockerill, Cllr Mrs Eileen Craggs, Cllr Ken Dixon, Cllr John Gardner, Cllr Mohammed Javed (vice Cllr Frankland).

Officers: G Birtle, Miss F Shayler, Mrs J Trainer (LD).

Also in attendance: Carole Langrick (North Tees and Hartlepool NHS Trust), Ruth Hill (PCT).

Apologies: were submitted on behalf of Cllrs Mrs Apedaile, Frankland and Mrs Nesbitt.

ASH 1/07

Minutes of the Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 26th March 2007 were agreed as a correct record.

ASH 2/07

Matters Arising

Health Care Commission Core Standards Declaration

Members raised the issue of hygiene in Hospitals particularly in relation to MRSA. It was stated that information was reported to the North Tees and Hartlepool NHS Trust Board and PCT on a monthly basis and details of those meetings were in the public domain together with Action Plans arising from those meetings. Members requested that they receive regular updates from the Scrutiny Officer.

ASH 3/07

Review of Alcoholism

Members discussed scrutinising Alcoholism as their next review topic. This issue had been raised by the previous Committee and the Scrutiny Liaison Forum as a priority. Ruth Hill would be the Link Officer for the Review and was in attendance to provide Members with further information on Alcoholism. A Tripartite Meeting was due to be held on Friday 15th June to discuss the draft scope and project plan, which would be brought before Members for discussion at their next meeting.

Concluded that the Draft Scope and Project Plan be brought to the next meeting for discussion.

ASH 4/07

Pathways to Health Care

Members were informed of the North Tees and Hartlepool NHS Trust's process to plan for a new hospital, primary and community services and facilities for the people of Teesside as recommended by the Independent Reconfiguration Panel and as approved by the Secretary of State.

The Trust and the PCT were working together in partnership and were calling the programme 'Pathways to Healthcare'. The main aim was to ensure that services were patient centred and clinically driven. More services provided locally that were easily accessible.

Carole Langrick provided a presentation on the vision of healthcare in 2014 and beyond. There were a number of phases to the programme which would lead to a new hospital with various services being carried out locally following full consultation with the public and various stakeholders.

Members held discussion on funding for the new hospital and would like to ensure that the plans would be affordable and sustainable for the future. It was felt that the design of the hospital was crucial, particularly in relation to including an appropriate system for disposing of clinical waste and including natural light within wards. Members requested that young people be involved in the consultation process as the vision was for their future. Discussion was also held on location of the new hospital; consideration of 24hr healthcare; transport links; health promotion.

Members were recommended to take part in the local public consultation process which would be carried out in the near future.

Concluded that the presentation and comments be noted.

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Work Programme

Members held discussion on their work programme for 2007/08. The Select Committee would begin by reviewing Alcoholism.

Concluded that the work programme be noted.