

Children and Young People's Health and Wellbeing Commissioning Group

A meeting of Children and Young People's Health and Wellbeing Commissioning Group was held on Monday, 19th January, 2015.

Present: Peter Kelly (Chairman),

Cllr Mrs Ann McCoy, Sarah Bowman-Abouna, Emma Champley, Shaun McLurg, Louise Okello

Officers: Michael Henderson (LD), Zoe Greaves (PH)

Also in attendance:

Apologies: Lynda Brown, Kate Birkenhead, C/Supt Gordon Lang and Simon Willson

1 **Declarations of Interest**

Councillor McCoy declared a personal, non prejudicial interest in item 5 'Dental Health Programme' as she was a governor of High Clarence School, which was referred to in the report.

2 **Minutes of meeting held on 16 October 2014**

The minutes of the meeting held on 16 October were confirmed as a correct record and were signed by the Chairman.

3 **Commissioning Intentions 15/16**

Members received a report that had been prepared to inform the Joint Commissioning Group of the draft commissioning intentions of NHS Hartlepool and Stockton on Tees Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) for 2015/16.

It was explained that commissioning intentions had been approved by the CCG Governing Body on 25th November 2014. These intentions were provided to the Group.

Members discussed the intentions and associated issues, this discussion could be summarised as follows:

- CCG governing body would shortly be considering their internal strategies/internal position statements relating to autism and mental health. These had influenced Commissioning Intentions. The strategies could be shared with the Children and Young People's Partnership with commissioning issues coming to this Group. It was important that there were links/discussions with the Council including children's and adults' services and Public Health around these issues.

- CCG governing body would shortly be considering a learning disabilities self-assessment.

- the CCG would be developing a Teeswide joint solution to purchase children's equipment. A stocktake was being undertaken and there needed to be a more consistent approach. Links with Council Officers were important.

- the CCG had agreed to jointly commission provision for children with complex medical needs together with Public Health to complement the School Nursing service.
- providing support to children with autism, following diagnosis, would be aligned with the Council's post diagnostic support services. This would include providing training to staff, expanding and delivering psychosocial communication interventions. Again links with Council officers were essential.
- Personal Health Budgets - there needed to be close work between the CCG and Council on this it was agreed that details be reported to this Group for consideration
- Final contract sign off would take place during February and March and updates would be provided to this group.
- the Group recognised the complexities surrounding children's commissioning and it was reinforced that the more partners could join up the better outcomes there would be for families, and efficiencies would be found.

Members received a report detailing commissioning intentions of Children and Young People's Services:

Family Contact and Transport Services expiring end of March 2016. Current tender amount was just over £500k. Full tender process would commence June 2015. There was a trend towards Courts directing higher levels of contact and this created pressures on the budget, but it was important to maintain strong links between children and their parents. It was noted that there were contract monitoring meetings and procedures were constantly being reviewed to make the process as logistically smooth as possible.

Specialist Assessments - a dynamic purchasing scheme was being developed with the Council's Procurement Service that would provide a range of specialist accredited providers for adhoc procurement of specialist services. This development was expected to be completed by the end of March 2015.

RESOLVED that the information be received and the discussion be noted and actioned where appropriate.

4 Dental Health Programme

The Group received a report that provided an update on the dental health programme in schools.

Members were reminded that the programme constituted three elements:

- tooth brushing programme - this had been offered to nursery and reception years. The programme was rolled out to the schools with the poorest dental health first and roll out to the rest of the schools was ongoing. Five schools had been identified as pilot sites for roll out in the whole school and this was the

subject of discussion with Heads. A small number of schools had already taken the initiative to roll out the programme beyond nursery and reception.

- fluoride varnish programme - this element was being planned for 20% of schools with the poorest dental health. A Service Level Agreement was being prepared and expressions of interest sought from dental practices who would deliver the programme.

Fissure sealant programme - This element had been delivered through a mobile dental van under previous schemes and options were being sought for hosting the van (historically hosted by North Tees and Hartlepool NHS Foundation Trust). The fissure sealant programme was unlikely to be implemented this financial year, due to these logistical issues. Any slippage in funding would be used to support the implementation of the other elements of the programme.

Members noted the information provided and were encouraged by the response of schools. It was explained that these interventions did produce very positive results and was considered to be very good value for money given the huge benefits to children. With regard to the issues around hosting of the mobile dental van it was suggested that enquiries be made with the North East Ambulance Service or a General Practice

RESOLVED that the information be noted and enquiries be made to the NEAS and GPs regarding hosting the mobile dental van.

5 Forward Plan

The Group considered the Forward Plan.

Discussions would be held between the Chairs of the Adults Health and Wellbeing Partnership and the Children and Young People's Partnership about reporting of the CCG's Autism Strategy and Mental Health Strategy.

TAMHS report to go to February meeting. Sarah Bowman - Abouna to contact Sarah Mills.

Speech and Language report would be coming to a future meeting

Commissioning Intentions to remain as item on February agenda, should any details of other commissioning intentions be available.

RESOLVED that the Forward Plan be agreed subject to the changes identified being made.