

Adults' Health and Wellbeing Commissioning Group

A meeting of Adults' Health and Wellbeing Commissioning Group was held on Tuesday, 24th January, 2017.

Present: Ann Workman (Chairman)

Cllr Jim Beall, Sarah Bowman, Emma Champley, Liz Hanley, Sean McEneaney, Paula Swindale

Officers: Michael Henderson, George Irving (SBC)

1 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

2 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 20 December 2016 were confirmed as a correct record.

3 Young Peoples' Substance misuse and Alcohol Treatment Service Review Update and Commissioning Intentions 2017/18

Members received a report that updated them on the service developments following a service review undertaken during January 2016 and the current contractual position of the Young People's Substance Misuse and Adults Alcohol Treatment Service.

It was explained that the original contract could be extended by 3 x one year. The option to extend had already been taken for one year.

Members considered the service review and the current position with regard to the contract and agreed that the option to take up the second one year contract extension should be taken.

RESOLVED that the report be noted and the further 1 year extension be agreed.

4 Commissioning/Populating the Forward Plan

Members considered the Group's Forward Plan.

It was noted that Social Care Commissioning Intentions were available to be presented to the Group and could be scheduled for February's meeting. There were still some issues to resolve relating to the Care Homes Update and this would be scheduled as soon as possible.

The Better Care Fund Guidance was delayed and no date was identified, so any report in this regard would need to be presented to the Group when possible.

Members were informed of the process recently adopted by the Children's Commissioning Group, when all commissioners provided details of their organisation's intentions and created a table detailing areas of potential joint

commissioning, with timescales. It was agreed that Emma Champley, George Irving and Paula Swindale would discuss this further outside the meeting with a view to producing a commissioning plan for this Group.

It was suggested that consideration should be given to when relevant contracts were coming to an end and the forward plan updated to take account of this, so that discussion could take place at an early stage.

It was suggested that other Forward Plan items could come out of the JSNA/ JHWS work, which would identify gaps and potential commissioning areas.

Reference was made to the North East Commissioning Group to take on a wider purpose in terms of joint commissioning. It was important to keep an eye on this and similar work.

RESOLVED that the discussion be noted and the commissioning plan described, be developed and presented to the February meeting.

5 Exclusion of Public

RESOLVED that the Public be excluded from the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information, as defined in paragraph 3 of schedule 12a of the Local Government Act 1972.

6 Carer Support Commissioning Update

Members received an update report on progress relating to the Commissioning of Carer Support services.

Members were provided with details of proposed arrangements, including the claw-back of funds, should the existing contract be extended by up to one year, to 31 March 2018.

During discussion it was noted that work on a new service model was underway and attempts to identify further capacity, to progress this work, would continue, including, via discussions at the Project Steering Group. A whole time Commissioning Manager post would be in place at the earliest possible point.

It was noted that there would be a strong focus on reducing any contract extension as much as possible.

It was agreed that the Cabinet member needed to be fully involved in progress reporting around this issue and this should be detailed in the Project Initiation Document.

The Group noted that the 'one off' funding, discussed at the last meeting, did not need approval from the Pooled Budget Partnership Board as it was historic slippage.

It was agreed that a progress report, to the Group's next meeting, should include an impact assessment on the various elements of the service and how the planned consultation might be fast tracked.

RESOLVED that

1. the discussion be noted and actioned as appropriate.
2. the extension of the contract, up to one year, be agreed.
3. an update be provided to the February meeting of the Group, as described above, and further updates be provided at the April and July meetings.