

Health Select Committee

A meeting of Health Select Committee was held on Monday, 10th January, 2011.

Present: Cllr Mrs Ann Cains (Chairman), Cllr Paul Baker, Cllr Dick Cains, Cllr Aidan Cockerill, Cllr Kevin Faulks, Cllr Mohammed Javed, Cllr Andrew Sherris.

Officers: Fiona McKie, Judith Trainer (LD).

Also in attendance:

Apologies: were submitted on behalf of Cllr Cherrett and Cllr Mrs Walmsley.

H **Declarations of Interest**

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Cllr Javed declared a personal/non prejudicial interest further to being employed by Tees, Esk and Wear NHS Trust.

H **Minutes for Signing 18th October 2010**

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The minutes of the meeting held on 18th October 2010 were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

H **Draft Minutes of the Meeting held on 8th November 2010**

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The draft minutes of the meeting held on 8th November 2010 were agreed as a correct record

Matters Arising

Fair Access to Care Services (FACS)

Members were informed that the final report had been agreed by the Cabinet. An Action plan would be presented to the Committee.

Tees Esk and Wear Valley NHS Foundation Trust (TEWV)

The Chairman had been sent further information with regard to the Trust expanding into North Yorkshire and whether they should appoint Governors from North Yorkshire.

H **Draft NHS Stockton-on-Tees / Health Select Committee Working Agreement**

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The Committee were requested to consider and approve the proposed working agreement, prior to consideration at Executive Scrutiny Committee.

As part of the continuing need to have extensive public, patient and stakeholder engagement in the delivery and design of local health services, the Health Select Committee had established a productive working relationship with Stockton's Primary Care Trust over the previous years.

In an attempt to formalise this relationship, it was proposed to adopt a Working Agreement that set out the principles of co-operation, and the methods of

communication to be used. Similar protocols were being developed for the other three local authorities covered by NHS Tees as a whole (Hartlepool, Middlesbrough, Redcar and Cleveland).

Members had previously been provided with a draft document. This had now been finalised and the proposed final version was provided for Members information.

Members considered the document and requested that a diagram be inserted to make the lines of communication clear. Once the document was finalised it would be presented to the Executive Scrutiny Committee for endorsement.

CONCLUDED that the document be finalised and forwarded to Executive Scrutiny for endorsement.

H 50/10 **Tees Valley Health Scrutiny Joint Committee Update**

The Committee were requested to consider an update on the work of the Tees Valley Joint Committee.

Minutes from the meetings of 11 October and 8 November 2010 were provided for Members information.

The minutes for the meetings of 13 December had not yet been approved. The meeting discussed the short term re-location of CAMHS and Learning Disability Short Break Services to Roseberry Park, and the development of the Electronic Patient Report Form through use by North East Ambulance Service's Teesside Division.

Members were informed that the Tees Valley Joint Health Scrutiny Committee had provided a joint response to the white paper.

A letter had since been received from the Centre for Public Scrutiny quoting the response from the Department of Health stating that local authorities would continue to exercise an independent health scrutiny function and determine their own arrangements. It was requested that the response from the Centre for Public Scrutiny be emailed to Members of the Committee.

Cllr Cains requested that the recording of Members names within the Tees Valley Health Scrutiny Joint Committee minutes be consistent and use titles where required.

CONCLUDED that the update be noted.

H 51/10 **Work Programme**

The next meeting would be held on 24th January 2011 to discuss the Scope for the EIT Task and Finish review of the Adult Service Structure. Members would also receive the action plan following their review of Fair Access to Care Services (FACS) and an update on the regional review of the ex-service community.

At the meeting on 21st February 2011 members would receive quarterly

monitoring reports.

At the meeting on 8th March it was proposed that the options and recommendations for the EIT review of the Adult Service Structure would be received. There would also be an initial presentation for the next review to take place in the Year 3 programme on Mental Health.

It was also proposed that a further meeting date be arranged to enable Members to receive a presentation on End of Life Care.

CONCLUDED that the work programme be noted.

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Chair's Update

Members were provided with an update on the Free Healthy Heart Check that was taking place in the borough. The Chairman had a list of dates and venues and requested that Members inform residents of this event.

Members were informed that following the problems in Mid Staffordshire the North Tees and Hartlepool NHS Trust had undergone a validation check of the following service areas:

- Urgent and Emergency Care
- Diabetes
- Stroke
- Respiratory

The Panel responded positively regarding these services. The Chairman had been provided with the full report and would circulate a copy to any Members that would like a copy.

CONCLUDED that the update be noted.