

Health Select Committee

A meeting of Health Select Committee was held on Monday, 13th June, 2011.

Present: Cllr Mohammed Javed(Chairman), Cllr Kevin Faulks(Vice-Chairman), Cllr Paul Baker, Cllr Evaline Cunningham, Cllr Elliot Kennedy, Cllr Ray McCall, Cllr Norma Wilburn.

Officers: Jan Atkinson, Alex Zielinski (NTH NHSFT) Khalid Azam, Ruth Hill (NHS Stockton-on-Tees) David Brown, Les Morgan (TEWV NHSFT), Jane Humphries, Sean McEneaney (CESC), Julie Nixon (DNS), Peter Mennear and Kirsty Wannop(LDS)

Also in attendance: Cllr Jim Beall (Cabinet Member for Adult Services and Health)

Apologies: Cllr Mrs Sylvia Walmsley, Cllr Mrs Mary Womphrey

1 Declarations of Interest

Councillor Javed declared a personal non prejudicial interest in relation to the Overview of Local Health Services due to working for Tees, Esk and Wear Valley NHS Foundation Trust.

Cllr Ray McCall declared a personal non prejudicial interest in relation to the Overview of Local Health Services as he was North Tees and Hartlepool Foundation Trust Chair of Governors.

2 Draft Minutes of the meeting held on 21st February and 8th March 2011

Consideration was given to the minutes of the meetings held on 21st February and 8th March 2011.

AGREED that the minutes be approved.

3 Efficiency, Improvement and Transformation (EIT) Review of Mental Health and Learning Disability Services - to consider and approve the scope of the review.

Consideration was given to the Scope and Project Plan of Review of Mental Health and Learning Disability Services. The Committee had previously considered a scope on 8 March, but it was proposed

The review would now include the full range of mental health and learning disability adult social care resources provided or commissioned by the Council. It was agreed that the review would initially concentrate on Learning Disability services.

In terms of Learning Disability Services, all services would be reviewed including residential care, respite care, day care, community support, and STEPS.

AGREED that the amended draft scope and project plan of the review be approved.

4 Monitoring of previously agreed recommendations - EIT Review of Adult Service Structures - Action Plan

Consideration was given to draft Action Plan setting out how the recommendations from the EIT Review of Adult Service Structures will be implemented.

The Committee did not request any further information.

AGREED that Action Plan be agreed.

5 Monitoring of previously agreed recommendations - Quarterly Progress Updates

Consideration was given to progress of the implementation of previously agreed recommendations. There were outstanding recommendations from the reviews of EIT Fair Access to Care, Audiology, and Dentistry.

In relation to the review of Fair Access to Care Services, Members discussed the complaints process, communication to affected clients, and the review process.

In relation to the review of Dentistry, it was agreed that recommendation 2 be signed off as incomplete but that the issue be raised with the appropriate body responsible for dental public health when confirmed.

AGREED that the Progress Updates be noted and the assessments for progress be confirmed.

6 Overview of local health services

Members received presentations regarding the North Tees Commissioning Consortium, North Tees and Hartlepool NHS Foundation Trust, Health and Wellbeing and Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys NHS Foundation Trust. The main areas covered were:-

- North Tees GP Commissioning Consortium and its elected Members
- Consortium's development and funds
- Commissioning and funding flows
- Public health services commissioned and provided by local authorities
- Health and Wellbeing boards and their roles.
- Momentum - pathways to healthcare programme
- Proposed community facilities
- Revised business case for the new hospital.
- Mental health, learning disability and substance misuse services.

AGREED that the information be noted.

7 Work Programme

- to consider the work programme for forthcoming meetings

Consideration was given to the project plan and it was noted that the following items would be presented at the meeting of 11 July:

- Baseline information for Learning Disabilities Service Provision.

The Committee were informed that the North East Regional Joint Scrutiny Review of the Health Needs of the Ex-Service Community had won two awards at the national Centre for Public Scrutiny Conference. Councillor Wilburn placed on record her appreciation of the previous Chair's (Cllr Ann Cains) work on that project. Members were informed that a progress report on the implementation of that review would be considered by the Regional Health Scrutiny Committee in September.