



UNCONFIRMED MINUTES

Tees Valley Area Integrated Care Partnership (ICP) Meeting

Meeting held on: 9th August 2024, 12pm – 2pm

Held at: Boardroom, NENC ICB, Trinity Mews, NOHV, Middlesbrough, TS3 6AL

Item No:	Meeting Notes	Action
TVICP/24/01	Welcome and Introductions	
	<p>Councillor Cook, as Chair, welcomed colleagues to the Tees Valley Area Integrated Care Partnership (ICP) Meeting.</p> <p>Present:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Councillor Bob Cook (Chair) – Health and Well-being Board Chair & Leader of Stockton Borough Council • David Gallagher – Chief Contracting and Procurement Officer • Martin Short - Director of Delivery, NENC ICB • Karen Hawkins – Director of Delivery, NENC ICB • Mark Adams, Joint Director Public Health Middlesbrough, Redcar & Cleveland • Christopher Akers-Belcher, Regional Co-ordinator, NENC Healthwatch Network • Craig Blundred – Director of Public Health, Hartlepool Borough Council • Geraldine Brown, Head of Policy Development and Public Affairs, Stockton Council • Dominic Gardner, Care Group Director of AMH/MHSOP, Tees Esk and Wear Valleys NHS FT • Stacey Hunter – Group Chief Executive Officer (Joint North and South Tees), North Tees & Hartlepool NHS Foundation Trust & South Tees Hospital Foundation Trust • Brent Kilmurray – Chief Executive of Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys NHS FT • Majella McCarthy, Director of Children's Services, Stockton Council • Richard Morris, Associate Director of Operations, County Durham & Darlington NHS FT • Carolyn Nice – Director of Adult Services, Stockton Council • Julian Penton - Voluntary Sector Lead/3rd Sector, Hartlepower (Hartlepool) • John Sampson – Managing Director and Chief Executive – Redcar and Cleveland Council 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ken Ross – Public Health Principal, Darlington Borough Council • Patrick Scott, Managing Director for Durah, Tees Valley and Forensics, Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys NHS FT • Professor Natasha Vall, Dean – School of Social Sciences, Humanities & Law, Teesside University <p><u>In Attendance:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rachael Long – Governance Lead, NENC ICB • Jane Smailes (Note Taker) – PA, NENC ICB • Avril Rennard – Corporate Business Assistant, NENC ICB 	
TVICP/24/02	Apologies for Absence	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Naveed Azam, PCN/CD Representative, Middlesbrough PCN • Professor Derek Bell – Chair, North Tees & Hartlepool NHS Foundation Trust / South Tees Hospitals NHS FT • Sarah Bowman-Abouna – Director of Public Health, Stockton Council • Sandra Britten – Chief Executive (Operational) Alice House Hospice • Cllr Alec Brown, Joint HWWB Chair, Redcar & Cleveland Council • Mayor Chris Cooke – Joint HWBB Chair Live Well South Tees Board – Middlesbrough Council • Deb Cornell, Director of Corporate Governance and Board Secretary, NENC ICB • Mark Davis, Voluntary Sector Lead, Middlesbrough Voluntary Development Agency (MVDA) • Dr Deepak Dwarakanath, Medical Director, North Tees & Hartlepool NHS FT • Dr Dharendra Garg – Stockton PCN Representative • Dr Teik Goh - PCN/CD Representative, Redcar and Cleveland PCN • Mike Greene – Chief Executive – Stockton Borough Council • Lorraine Hughes, Director of Public Health, Darlington Council • Sue Jacques – Chief Executive, County Durham and Darlington NHS FT • Denise McGuckin – Managing Director of Hartlepool Borough Council • Jill Harrison - Director of Adult & Community Based Services, Hartlepool Borough Council • David Jennings, Chair, Tees Esk and Wear Valleys NHS FT • Dr Helen McLeish – PCN Clinical Director, Darlington PCN • Dr Jackie McKenzie - PCN/CD Representative, Hartlepool PCN • Kerry McQuade – Director of Strategy Planning and Transformation, North East Ambulance Service • Rebecca Morgan (RM) – Project Development Manager / Healthwatch Sub-Regional Co-ordinator, Healthwatch 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peter Neal – Voluntary Sector Lead, Redcar & Cleveland Voluntary Development Agency (RCVDA) • Lisa Oldroyd – Chief Executive & Monitoring Officer, Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Cleveland • Chris Piercy, Director of Nursing, NENC ICB • Helen Ray – Chief Executive, North East Ambulance Service • Sally Robinson, Director of Children's Services, Hartlepool Council • Richard Scothon, Chair, County Durham & Darlington NHS FT • Jeanette Scott, Director of Nursing, NENC ICB • James Stroyan – Director of People (Children & Adult), Darlington Council • Wade Tovey, Redcar & Cleveland Voluntary Development Agency • Chris Zarraga – Director, Schools North East 	
TVICP/24/03	Declarations of Interest	
	<p>Councillor Bob Cook (BC) reminded colleagues of the importance of the robust management of conflicts of interest and asked individuals to raise any potential conflicts of interest as the meeting progressed. No conflicts of interest were raised.</p>	
TVICP/24/04	Minutes from previous meeting held 2nd February 2024	
	<p>The minutes of the meeting, held 2nd February 2024, had previously been circulated to members for comment. There were no amendments requested and therefore the minutes were AGREED as an accurate record. Confirmed minutes have also been shared with Health and Wellbeing Boards for information.</p>	
TVICP/24/05	Matters Arising & Action Log	
	<p>Action Log</p> <p>Actions were noted as complete</p> <p>Matters Arising</p> <p><u>Water Fluoridation</u></p> <p>David Gallagher (DG) advised the national consultation on water fluoridation for the North East had been extended due to the General Election in June. Generally there had been a good response from the North East and</p>	

	<p>he thanked all those who had responded. DG explained that the outcome of the consultation was pending with any next steps and timescales.</p> <p>There were no other matters arising to note.</p>	
<p>TVICP/24/06</p>	<p>Healthwatch Update</p>	
	<p>The Healthwatch quarterly update (Jan – Mar 2024) had been circulated to members before the meeting.</p> <p>Christopher Akers-Belcher (CAB) highlighted the following key points from the report.</p> <p>Healthwatch held a listening event on 6th June 2024 to engage with patients, carers and local communities in respect of the Hospitals Trusts Group Model for North Tees & Hartlepool, and South Tees Hospitals NHS Foundation Trusts. The event was well attended and a report from Healthwatch will be provided to the Hospital Group to aid in its development.</p> <p>The North of England Commissioning Support Unit (NECSU) commissioned a project which sought the views and needs of older adults with Learning Disabilities to help inform future planning to meet their needs as they age and are no longer able to be supported by family. The final report, Growing Older Tees Valley Report, has been sent to NECSU and copied to the NENC ICB. Healthwatch is awaiting feedback regarding the report's recommendations, particularly in relation to housing and communications.</p> <p>Healthwatch were invited by the ICB to review the ICB's Involvement Strategy - 'Communities and People Involvement and Engagement Framework 2022-23'.</p> <p>There have been over 3,500 responses to the region wide surveys regarding provision of NHS dentistry services. Healthwatch County Durham are leading on the data analysis and the report is expected to be available in quarter two.</p> <p>Noting the "access to primary care services" concerns in the report Stacey Hunter (SH) highlighted the collective action that GPs may be undertaking following the recent BMA ballot. This may have a greater impact on access to GP services, though it was too soon to tell what the impact may be locally. SH advised that the hospitals would be monitoring the situation to see if this had an impact on attendance at A&E.</p>	

	<p>Following a query regarding how patients were accessing primary care services CAB confirmed that Healthwatch had been promoting the use of NHS111 for example, however there was inconsistency across the Tees Valley with availability of services.</p> <p>Karen Hawkins (KH) highlighted the work around the Primary Care Access and Recovery Plan including total triage and understanding the routes of access for patients through online or e-booking.</p> <p>David Gallagher (DG) explained there were daily meetings taking place with Primary Care leads, within the ICB, to discuss the impact of the GP collective action. The ICB will share intelligence as and when it becomes available, noting that the collective action began on 1st August.</p> <p>Regarding NHS Dentistry services, DG noted that the work done by Healthwatch was helping to inform the work of the ICB, for example, by focussing on urgent treatment rather than routine access. The first urgent dental access centre in NENC has opened in Tees Valley, in Darlington, based in a community centre. This service is accessed through NHS111 or self-referral.</p>	
<p>TVICP/24/07</p>	<p>Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys NHS Foundation Trust (TEWV) Transformation- Our Journey to Change</p>	
	<p>The presentation had been circulated to members prior to the meeting. Brent Kilmurray (BK), Patrick Scott (PS) and Dominic Gardner (DG) highlighted the following key areas;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is transformation • A reflection on the TEWV journey so far • Transforming Community Services Adult Planned Care • Urgent Care Transformation • Mental Health Services for Older People • Adult Learning Disabilities Transformation • Children & Young People Transformation – I-Thrive • Areas of Risk and Challenge. <p>Martin Short (MS) noted that TEWV had been at the forefront of co-creation of services and that there had been an increasing fourfold demand. This necessitated transformation within the system and a Children and Young Peoples whole system approach to reduce demand into specialist services.</p>	

Further to a comment from Chris Cooke (CC) regarding some of the downgrading of CQC inspection ratings BK advised the one of main areas of focus for TEWV was around improvement in areas of safety and do service users feel safe in the service. TEWV had invested in the service environment with assisted technology and part of the mix to address key safety issues. In relation to staffing significant progress had been made in the last 6 months in filling key staffing roles and looking to convert agency staff to core roles within teams, with a concerted focus on quality and safety. BK noted, in relation to CQC Safe Standard, the TEWV ambition to have all columns be marked 'good'.

Stacey Hunter (SH) explained the need to have a realistic discussion regarding staff vacancies. She noted that filling of vacancies was not always about funding and, depending on the role, it could take over 3½ years to have a registered practitioner available. Acknowledging the need for pipeline trainees BK highlighted the work being undertaken at Teesside University who are looking to have a single entry intake.

There was a discussion regarding the sustainability and quality of services and that bilateral conversations would reduce the risk of any potential unintended consequence during service changes.

There was a discussion regarding the timelines for improving Children's and Young People's services and applying learning from Adults' services for a standard service across the Tees Valley.

DG highlighted key areas

- The need for timelines to help patients gain access to services
- Access to core community CAMHS, with TEWV agreeing to share figures for individual area
- ADHD services not having the capacity to meet the demand.

KH noted that the TEWV Transformation Journey to Change project had been a significant undertaking and she thanked colleagues for the work to date and their engagement with partners, including 14 Primary Care Network (PCN) organisations. She advised that the other parts of the country had now been in contact about this partnership way of working.

TVICP/24/08	Teesside Health innovation Zone	
	<p>The presentation was circulated to members before the meeting.</p> <p>Geraldine Brown (GB) delivered the presentation noting this was a high level introduction to the project and may be brought back to the meeting at a future date. The vision of the project included</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To breathe new life into Teesdale Business Park and ensure all 50 hectares are fully utilised. • To bring forward the holistic regeneration of the 60 hectares Tees Marshalling Yards site for both employment and housing and other ancillary uses. • To grow all aspects of the health, public-health and social care sector, and their supply chains, on Teesdale Business Park and the Marshalling Yards and make us a recognised UK cluster. • To link the new Care and Health Innovation Zone with Stockton Town Centre, to unlock the potential of the scheme and boost connectivity through transport and active travel links. <p>The presentation also outlined the potential impact of the development and the high level view of how the vision could be delivered.</p> <p>There was a discussion regarding how this potential development would affect delivery of services, noting that there would be an opportunity to look at current estate configuration and identify what would be needed in the future. Some services would need to be delivered at scale but hub and spoke models would work for some services.</p> <p>SH noted that the Hospitals Trust Group for NTHFT and STHFT was working together to produce a joint strategy that could be used to inform the development of secondary care provision locally. In the meantime the rebuild of the North Tees hospital was in abeyance.</p> <p>The discussions also included the need to think about specialist housing provision across the Tees Valley that created natural communities and the current shortage in children's accommodation. It was noted that children were sometimes needing to be placed in other parts of the country away from family and their community.</p> <p>DG acknowledged that the potential development had challenges but there was also a significant opportunity to</p>	

	look at what would be needed in the next 10 – 25 years' time.	
TVICP/24/09	Tees Valley Anchor Network	
	<p>The presentation was circulated to members before the meeting.</p> <p>Mark Adams (MA) delivered the presentation which included the following</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview • Background • Purpose of a Tees Valley Anchor Network • Results of Mapping • Education / Employment • Procurement • Sustainability • Proposed areas of focus • Next Steps <p>Julian Penton (JP) stated that the VCS organisations across the Tees Valley would be interested to contribute to the work of the Network, noting that there were between 4 and 5 thousand contacts across the VCS and they could offer a bridge to civil engagement.</p> <p>There was a discussion regarding food providers to local anchor organisations. JP explained that the Hartlepool food partnership had an interactive map which provided details of food providers within 100 miles and this would be available to the Network. MA highlighted the work of FROG (Future Regeneration of Grangetown) who were a trusted VCS organisation and their connection into the community.</p> <p>MA highlighted the different approaches used within the local Anchor organisations, especially in procurement.</p> <p>It was acknowledged that there was a need for local procurement for inward investment across the Tees Valley.</p> <p>It was acknowledged that any public communications regarding the Tees Valley Anchor Network needed to be mindful of the language used, recognising that parts of the area had an average reading age of 10 years old.</p>	
TVICP/24/10	Right Care Right Person	
	This item was deferred to the next meeting.	

TVICP/24/11	Suggested Items for Next Meeting	
	<p>Suggestions for discussion at future meetings included,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Primary Care Access including GP access • Right Care / Right Person – deferred from this meeting • Anchor Network • Further Development of the Hospital Group Model, as appropriate • Health Innovation Zone with Tees Valley Combined Authority input • Details on the provision of services for children with neurodiversity (CAB) • Oversight of the vision for Health and Social Care Estate across the 5 local authority areas and possible sharing of buildings / estate <p>DG noted that future meetings could be a mix of business and workshops and he asked that members continue to bring items to the meeting for discussion and input.</p>	
TVICP/24/12	Any Other Business	
	<p>The Chair noted there were no further items of business advised and thanked members for their attendance and contributions to the meeting.</p> <p><i>The meeting closed at 2pm</i></p>	
	<p><u>Next Meeting</u> Date: Friday, 8th November 2024 Time: 12-2pm Venue: Dolphin Centre, Darlington</p>	



20.09.24

Signed: Date:

Cllr Bob Cook (Chair)