

LOCAL HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE PLAN WORKING GROUP

AGENDA

Monday 21 March 2016

at 2.00 pm

in the Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Hartlepool

MEMBERS: LOCAL HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE PLAN WORKING GROUP:

Independent Chair: Professor Colin-Thomé

Hartlepool Borough Council Representatives:

Councillors Ainslie, C Akers-Belcher, S Akers-Belcher, Atkinson, Barclay, Beck, Belcher, Brash, Clark, Cook, Cranney, Fleet, Gibbon, Griffin, Hall, Hind, Jackson, James, Lauderdale, Lawton, Lindridge, Loynes, Martin-Wells, Dr. Morris, Richardson, Riddle, Robinson, Simmons, Sirs, Springer, Tempest, Thomas and Thompson.

NHS Hartlepool and Stockton Clinical Commissioning Group Representatives

- 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
- 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
- 3. NOTES FROM THE MEETING HELD ON THE 8 FEBRUARY 2016**
- 4. TIMETABLE FOR SESSION**

2.00pm - INTRODUCTION / PRESENTATION

2.30pm - MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES - BREAK OUT SESSION

3.20am - FEEDBACK FROM TABLE DISCUSSIONS

3.40am - NEXT STEPS AND CLOSE



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8 February 2016

The meeting commenced at 10.00 am at the Centre for Excellence, Training and Learning, Brierton Lane, Hartlepool

Present:

Chair: Professor David Colin-Thomé

Councillors: Councillors Ainslie, Lauderdale, Lindridge, Loynes and Tempest

Hartlepool and Stockton on Tees Clinical Commissioning Group

Representatives:

Ali Wilson, Karen Hawkins and Jo Heaney

Officers: Sally Robinson, Director of Child and Adult Services
Louise Wallace, Director of Public Health
Joan Stevens, Scrutiny Manager
Amanda Whitaker, Democratic Services Team Manager
Angela Armstrong, Principal Democratic Services Officer

Also present: North Tees and Hartlepool NHS Foundation Trust, Julie Parkes, Lynn Kirby and Jane Barker
North of England Commissioning Support: Ruth Kimmins
Peter Kelly, Director of Public Health, Stockton Borough Council
Mark Smith, Durham County Council
Healthwatch: Gordon Johnson, Stella Johnson and T Leighton
Fighting for Hartlepool Hospital: Angela Hughes, Kath Mathieson and S Leighton
Town of Hartlepool Challenge Group: Jill Crane, Stan Cronin, Julie Clayton, Beccy Goddard, Tony Kramer and Gordon Goddard
Eric Plews

11. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Christopher Akers-Belcher, Stephen Akers-Belcher, George Morris, Carl Richardson, George Springer and Steve Thomas.

12. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

13. NOTES FROM MEETING HELD ON 14 JANUARY 2016

Received.

14. INTRODUCTION AND PRESENTATION – MATERNITY/EARLY YEARS/CHILDREN'S HEALTH AND WELLBEING SERVICES

The Chair outlined the key focus for this meeting which was Maternity/Early Years/Children's Health and Wellbeing Services. A presentation was provided by the Director of Child and Adult Services and Director of Public Health from Hartlepool Borough Council as well as a representative from Hartlepool and Stockton Clinical Commissioning Group which outlined the national and local context of maternity and children's services. Further details were provided on the services commissioned and provided by the Local Authority along with the commissioning responsibilities of the Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG). The overall vision for maternity and children's services was outlined and included a transformation vision, better childhood vision and maternity services.

The Working Group moved into a number of break-out sessions to consider the following:

Maternity and Children's Services:

- 1) What services have you used?
- 2) What worked well?
- 3) How could they have been improved?
- 4) What support would families need to ensure our children get the best start in life?
- 5) Priorities for the future.

Upon return from the break-out sessions, each group fed back three priorities:

Group 1

- Better communication around the services provided to ensure patients were able to make informed decisions.
- Ensuring parents and the workforce, including multi-disciplinary teams, were educated around the services available.
- Improve the involvement of young people including the Youth Parliament and Youth Council.

Group 2

- Improved education around the national childhood measurement programme, breastfeeding, inter-generational patterns and cycles and how can break into those including the public perception of social workers. The key being education in the right place to the right age group.

- Ensure appropriate qualified and experienced staffing with the right expertise were in place where needed and that they were accessible to maximise the support role where needed.
- Improvement of local co-ordination of specialised services to avoid appointments at numerous different hospitals and to ensure information was shared between doctors effectively. Need to ensure pathways of care were clear for families in order to minimise disruption where possible.

Group 3

- Transport was highlighted as a particular issue that needs to be improved for patients who need to attend North Tees Hospital, including the awareness of transport services available.
- Communication around the services available in Hartlepool needs to be improved to raise awareness of what was available.
- Improved workforce planning to ensure the number and skills of the workforce meet future needs of patients on both sites.

A discussion ensued on the operation of birthing centres and consultant-led maternity centre. There were concerns expressed that women in Hartlepool were being unduly influenced/persuaded to have their babies in North Tees Hospital, which was a consultant led service rather than the University Hospital of Hartlepool which was midwife led. Representatives from the Trust expressed concern that while staff were required to highlight potential risks, advice and information should be unbiased in terms of the deliver unit options available for prospective parents. In addition to this, the importance of having the most appropriate skills mix within the workforce in place was discussed to ensure that young and first time mums have the best support available to them.

It was noted that one of the groups discussed the positive use of technologies and 'apps' for mobile phones and the importance of exploring more innovative and creative use of technologies to communicate and raise awareness. Ensuring the workforce was aware of the different ways services could be provided was emphasised.

It was highlighted that schools were an invaluable vehicle to pick up where additional support/mentoring was required as well as safeguarding issues and could be utilised to educate parents and grandparents.

The Chair concluded that it would be really useful to meet with young people's representatives and mothers/parents to seek their views on the provision of maternity and children's services. The Director of Child and Adult Services indicated that there were several groups such as the Youth Council, Participation Teams and local Children's Centres that it would be useful to meet with.

It was noted that the next meeting of the Local Health and Social Care Plan Working Group was:

Mental Health – 21 March, 2.00 pm in the Civic Centre.

The meeting concluded at 12.06 pm

CHAIR