# MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE HEALTH & WELLBEING BOARD Committee Room 2 - Town Hall 12 September 2018 (1.00 - 3.10 pm)

#### Present:

Elected Members: Councillors Jason Frost (Chairman), Robert Benham and Gillian Ford.

Officers of the Council: Mark Ansell, Interim Director of Public Health; and Trevor Cook, Assistant Director for Education Services (substitute for Tim Aldridge, Director of Children's Services).

Havering Clinical Commission Group (CCG): Bunmi Olajide, Havering Clinical Commissioning Group (substitute for Dr Atul Aggarwal); Steve Rubery, Interim Director of Delivery and Performance, Barking, Havering and Redbridge Clinical Commissioning Group; Dr Gurdev Saini, Board Member, Havering Clinical Commissioning Group and Tracey Welsh, Redbridge Clinical Commissioning Group (substitute for Ceri Jacob).

Other Organisations: Christopher Brown, Barking, Havering and Redbridge University Hospitals' NHS Trust; Anne-Marie Dean, Executive Chairman, Healthwatch Havering; and Carole White, North East London NHS Foundation Trust (substitute for Jacqui Van Rossum).

Also Present: Sharon Adkins, My Health Matters; Kathryn Kavanagh, Cancer Commissioning Manager, Barking, Havering, Redbridge and West Essex; Vicki Bainsfair, YMCA; Girish Barber, Department for Work and Pensions; Joe Fielder, Chair of Barking, Havering & Redbridge University Hospitals NHS Trust; Duncan Jenner, Head of External Communications, Barking, Havering & Redbridge University Hospitals NHS Trust; Caroline Penfold, Head of Children and Adults Disabilities Service; and Lee Simpson, Department for Work and Pensions.

# 1 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman gave details of the arrangements in case of fire or other event that may require the evacuation of the meeting room or building.

The Chairman advised that he had agreed to amend the order of the agenda, to take Item No. 8 before Item No. 4.

# 2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from:

Andrew Blake Herbert, Chief Executive, London Borough of Havering Jacqui Van Rossum, North East London Foundation Trust Dr Atul Aggarwal, Chair, Havering Clinical Commissioning Group Councillor Damian White, London Borough of Havering

# 3 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

There were no declarations of interest made in any items on the agenda.

# 4 MINUTES, ACTION LOG AND INDICATOR SET

The minutes of the meeting held on the 11 July 2018 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

The following items were noted in respect of the action log:

17.27 – In terms of safeguarding, members had requested that the exempt document containing data on incidents on cases referred to courts be circulated to the Board. Clarification on the action was being sought.

18.1 – A report on Referral To Treatment performance would be provided on a regular basis.

18.2 - 16 of the 18 secondary schools in Havering operated a closed gate policy. Confirmation from the remaining two secondary schools was outstanding.

18.4 – A report identifying opportunities to prevent sight loss to complement the report by Healthwatch about quality of care post diagnosis had been added to the forward plan.

18.5 – NHS England had confirmed that they had a development plan for the shingles vaccination and details would be presented to the Health Protection Forum and subsequently to the Board.

18.6 (i) – Information detailing what was on offer for paediatrics across the borough had been circulated to members.

18.6 (ii) – The outcome of the community urgent care consultation – 'Right care, right place, first time', would be presented at a future meeting and had been added to the forward plan.

Members received the Health and Wellbeing Board indicator set which provided an overview of the health of residents and the quality of care services available to them.

# 5 HEALTHWATCH ANNUAL REPORT

The Board received The Healthwatch Havering Annual Report which provided a summary of the work of Healtwatch Havering over the last year. The Chairman of Healthwatch Havering explained that although they coordinated with neighbouring Healthwatch organisations, their priorities differed. The Chairman recognised the challenges faced by Barking,

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Havering and Redbridge University NHS Trust and their cooperation to converse openly and share information with Healthwatch.

#### **RESOLVED:**

That the report, be noted.

# 6 HEALTH IMPROVEMENT REPORT

The Board received the draft Health Improvement Pan, which provided an illustration of health improvement activities undertaken by the Public Health Service in collaboration with other Council services and in partnership with a range of organisations.

The draft report was presented to the Board as it might assist in discussions regarding the approach/priorities for the new strategy.

The Board agreed that the item be carried forward to the next meeting and in the meantime, for any comments on the draft Health Improvement Plan to be fed back.

# 7 SEND STRATEGY

In July 2018, the Board received a report which highlighted the outcomes of the Local Area Inspection of support for children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) which took place between the 26 February and 2 March 2018. The Board received the local area's first comprehensive SEND strategy, which addressed the findings of the recent Ofsted / CQC inspection and stated the local authority's ambition to build local provision to meet growing SEND demand.

During discussion, the monitoring of excluded pupils with special educational needs nationally was raised. The number of excluded pupils with SEND in Havering was below the national average and was not an area of concern identified during the inspection. Members suggested that reference in the strategy be made to inclusion, the Fair Access Protocol and monitoring.

Funding was the overall driver for the high needs review, and despite receiving an additional £1m funding the previous year as a result of the newly introduced funding formula, the high needs block was already overspent.

There was a focus on support for 0-5 year olds, with the creation of the inclusion fund, to ensure further support was provided for children in early years, to enable them to be in the best position before entering primary school.

The need to support and train teachers was discussed, in particular the provision of teacher training programmes which covered all major disabilities, with particular emphasis on mental health and autism.

It was explained that the intensity of provision provided was dependent on the pressure of need in particular areas in the borough. However, it was reported that schools saw themselves in isolation and sought a fair distribution of Additional Resource Provisions (ARPs), which was reflected in the strategy's intention to increase the number of ARP's in the borough.

The importance of ensuring those schools under pressure have the resources they need was raised and Members suggested that the strategy be linked to the Learning Disability Improvement Standards for NHS Trusts.

Members requested that an update on the SEND action plan and the Therapy Review – Options Appraisal, showing a timescale to the end of October 2018, be provided at the next meeting

# **RESOLVED:**

That the joint area SEND strategy, encompassing an action plan which addressed SEND improvements and key areas raised by Ofsted / CQC during inspection, be agreed.

# 8 CANCER

The Board received presentations on the topic of cancer, from the following:

- Overview Mark Ansell, Director of Public Health
- Health Champion Programme Sharon Adkins, My Health Matters
- Cancer Services Kathryn Kavanagh, Cancer Commissioning
- Living with Cancer Girish Barber and Lee Simpson, Department for Work and Pensions; and Vicki Bainsfair, YMCA.

My Health Matters welcomed the changes in testing for cancer, in particular bowel screening and the positive movements towards cancer diagnosis. However, believed that improvements could be made in the making of the initial contact. The linkage of cancer with education was raised and although the current focus was on faith groups and GP's, consideration would be given to providing a link with schools, possibly through the Healthy Schools Programme and enhancing discussions through the Personal, Social and Health Education curriculum. The Local Authority would give consideration to introducing Youth Health Champions in schools, however the decision would ultimately be determined by affordability.

The YMCA Cancer Referral Scheme operated a 12 week exercise programme which focused on Quality of Life, Active Daily Living, Physical Activity and exercise, and the YMCA worked closely with Health Champions, Macmillan, Cancer Nurse specialists and GP's. Members

discussed the capacity to provide general support to those living with cancer. Individuals who approached the YMCA were asked to complete a risk needs assessment and encouraged to exercise, as evidence had emerged that exercise decreased cancer reoccurrence and this was further being encouraged during Preventative Week.

The Department for Work and Pensions viewed cancer as a long term health condition. Members were provided information on additional funding available to businesses to assist those employees who had been diagnosed with cancer. Concern was raised that many small businesses would find it financially difficult to hold a position open, however it was a requirement for all businesses, irrespective of their size, to make reasonable adjustments for their employees, and funding was available, although underused.

The Disability Confident Scheme, designed to help businesses to recruit and retain disabled people and people with health conditions for their skills and talent, was being promoted.

During discussion, it was highlighted that the Barking, Havering, Redbridge University NHS Trust had achieved a 62 day cancer standard and outcomes were improving.

# **RESOLVED:**

That the contents of the presentations, be noted.

# 9 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Members requested that the next meeting of the Board be rescheduled.

Chairman