



**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE SCRUTINY COMMISSION FOR HEALTH ISSUES
HELD IN THE BOURGES / VIERSSEN ROOMS, TOWN HALL
ON 15 SEPTEMBER 2016**

Present: Councillors Cereste (Chairman), Rush (Vice-Chairman), Aitken, Ferris, Lillis, Bisby, and Sylvester

Also present Lee Miller Head of Transformation and Commissioning (Children and Maternity), Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Clinical Commissioning Group

Officers Present: Dr Liz Robin Director of Public Health
Philippa Turvey Senior Democratic Services Officer

1. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Ayres and Councillor Dowson.

Councillor Bisby and Sylvester were in attendance as substitutes.

2. Declarations of Interest and Whipping Declarations

There were no declarations of interest or whipping declarations.

3. Minutes of Meetings Held on 19 July 2016

The minutes of the meetings held on 19 July 2016 were approved as an accurate record, subject to the following amendments:

- "The Commission further discussed the importance of physical education for children in schools," be amended to, "The Commission further discussed the importance of physical education and engagement for children in schools."
- "In addition, it was noted that the provision of targeted services for the elderly was considered vital, both in terms of outreach services and physical activity," be amended to, "In addition, it was noted that the provision of targeted services for the elderly was considered vital and should be reintroduced, both in terms of outreach services and physical activity."

4. Call-in of any Cabinet, Cabinet Member or Key Officer Decisions

There were no requests for Call-in to consider.

5. Transformation of Child Health and Wellbeing

The report was introduced by the Head of Transformation and Commissioning (Children and Maternity), Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG). The

report provided an update on the proposal of joint commissioning of integrated children's health services.

The Head of Transformation and Commissioning (Children and Maternity), CCG responded to comments and questions raised by Members. A summary of responses included:

- The proposals had not yet reached the stage where it could be determined who would run the integrated service. If it were subsequently proposed to have a single provider, the Commission would be duly updated.
- It was not considered likely that the proposed integrated service would be ready to begin work within the current financial year.
- In relation to transformative care, it was intended to involve parent and carer representatives in the design of the integrated service. The need to also involve traditionally hard to reach communities was acknowledged.
- Equipment would not be moved from specialist care facilities. The proposals were not intended to result in services being moved, but instead to merge into co-located service hubs.
- In terms of providing services in GP practices, it was considered that this could be a nurse provided service, in order to help build capacity alongside community knowledge. This would, however, need to be considered in more detail.
- The proposed hubs could be located in any community building, such as schools, if there was the capacity.
- The service pressures were a national problem, and more creative solutions were required.
- It was requested that once the process was complete, a further report be provided to the Commission on the findings and proposed solutions.
- The iThrive Framework was a national development to aid mental health issues in children.
- It was suggested that recruitment could be carried out within the pool of retired health service workers, who may wish to return to work on a part time basis.

ACTION AGREED

The Scrutiny Commission for Health Issues endorsed the proposal to bring together the Joint Commissioning of integrated children's health services.

6. Public Health Priorities in Peterborough

The report was introduced by the Senior Democratic Services Officer. The report sought consideration of proposals to recommend that Council establish a joint scrutiny committee between Peterborough City Council and Cambridgeshire County Council to scrutinise proposals to merge Peterborough and Stamford Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (PSHFT) with Hinchingsbrooke Health Care NHS Trust (HHCT). It was further requested that the Commission recommend to Council that its terms of reference be amended, in order for it to establish joint health committees for specific matters in the future.

The Commission discussed the report and raised the following key points:

- It was considered important that Healthwatch and Huntingdonshire District Council be represented on the proposed joint committee.
- It was suggested that scrutinising the implementation and governance arrangements of the proposed merger was a sensible inclusion within the joint committee's remit, should the merger go ahead.

- Concern was expressed in relation to the location and timing of a number of the proposed meetings. It was suggested that the time of the meeting should be later, in order to allow people sufficient time to attend.
- It was suggested that the terms of reference of the joint committee be amended to include a rotating chairmanship between Peterborough City Council and Cambridgeshire County Council.
- Confirmation of those Commission Members appointed to the joint committee would be provided to the Senior Democratic Services Officer in due course.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Scrutiny Commission for Health Issues recommended to Council that:

- 1) Agree to the establishment of a joint scrutiny committee with Cambridgeshire County Council to scrutinise proposals for the merger of PSHFT and HHCT;
- 2) Agree the preferred size for the Joint Committee to be five Members each from Peterborough City Council and Cambridgeshire County Council;
- 3) Authorise the Joint Committee to respond on behalf of the Scrutiny Commission for Health Issues to the public engagement / consultation proposals;
- 4) Require the Joint Committee to scrutinise the implementation and governance arrangements, should the proposed merger be agreed by the two NHS Trust Boards;
- 5) Endorse the draft terms of reference, subject to the inclusion of arrangements for a rotating Chair and Vice-Chair between Peterborough City Council and Cambridgeshire County Council; and
- 6) Amend the Scrutiny Commission for Health Issues terms of reference, in order to delegate powers from Council to the Commission to establish joint health committees in relation to health issues that cross local authority boundaries.

ACTION AGREED

The Scrutiny Commission for Health Issues' appointments to serve as Members of the Joint Committee, and Members to serve as substitutes, would be identified and their names notified to the Senior Democratic Services Officer, subject to Council approving the establishment of the Joint Committee.

7. Forward Plan of Executive Decisions

The Commission received the latest version of the Forward Plan of Executive Decisions, containing Executive Decisions that the Leader of the Council anticipated the Cabinet or individual Cabinet Members would make during the course of the following four months. Members were invited to comment on the Forward Plan of Executive Decisions and, where appropriate, identify any relevant areas for inclusion in the Commission's work programme.

ACTION AGREED

The Commission noted the Forward Plan of Executive Decisions.

8. Work Programme

Members considered the work of the Commission in 2015/16 and the Work Programme for 2015/16, and discussed possible items for inclusion.

ACTION AGREED

The Scrutiny for Health Issues requested that:

- 1) An item regarding the IVF Service Consultation be added to the 15 November 2016 meeting;
- 2) An item regarding the Annual Public Health Report be added to a future meeting;
- 3) The Sustainable Transformation Programme item and the Minor Injury and Illness Unit item be rescheduled to January 2016;
- 4) A workshop or briefing session be arranged on the Minor Injury and Illness Unit consultation in November 2016; and
- 5) An item regarding the progress of the Healthy Peterborough Programme be added to the work programme for an appropriate meeting date.

9. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Commission was scheduled for 15 November 2016.

The meeting began at 7.00pm and finished at 7:45 pm.

CHAIRMAN