

## **Rutland** County Council

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Record of a meeting of the **HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD** held in the Council Chamber, Catmose, Oakham, at 2.00pm on **Tuesday 2 December 2014** 

**PRESENT:** Councillor Christine Emmett Chair and Portfolio Holder

Councillor Roger Begy Leader of Rutland County Council

(RCC)

Helen Briggs Chief Executive, RCC Jennifer Fenelon Healthwatch Rutland

Dr Andy Ker Vice Chair East Leicestershire and

Rutland Clinical Commissioning

Group

Mike Sandys Director for Public Health

Roy Trotter Acting CEO of Rutland Citizen Advise

Bureau

Also in Paul Burnett Chair of the Leicestershire & Rutland

Attendance: Safeguarding Children Board

Michael Cawley Strategic Head of Finance and Economics, Better Care Together

Geoff Rowbotham Programme Director for Better Care

Together

Yasmin Sidyot Head of Strategy and Planning for

East Leicestershire and Rutland Clinical Commissioning Group

**OFFICERS** Stephen Butterworth Deputy Director (Interim)

**PRESENT:** Karen De Miranda Candeia Interim Head of Service – Care Act

Implementation

Julia Eames Project Manager Health and Social

Care Integration

Katy Lynch Health and Social Care Integration

**Project Manager** 

Adam Green Corporate Support Officer

**APOLOGIES:** Inspector Cordiner, Dr Tim O'Neill, Tim Sacks, Katy Sagoe, Trish

Thompson

# 522 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 15 JULY 2014, THE SPECIAL HELD 17 SEPTEMBER AND MATTERS ARISING

The minutes of the meeting held on 15 July 2014 and the special meeting held on 17 September 2014 were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

#### 523 DECLARTIONS OF INTEREST

The following declarations of interest were made:

- Miss Lynch's father is the Practice Manager for Uppingham Surgery.
- Dr Ker currently works as a GP.
- Cllr Christine Emmett works for the NHS, the Department of Health and University Hospital Leicester in a private capacity.
- Cllr Begy is a shadow governor of Leicestershire Partnership Trust Board

## 524 PETITIONS, DEPUTATIONS AND QUESTIONS

No petitions, deputations or questions were received.

#### 525 BETTER CARE FUND UPDATE

Miss Lynch introduced the report which updated the Board on the Better Care Fund Plan progress.

During discussion it was noted:

- i. The plan was resubmitted in September and was approved with support subject to a couple of amendments.
- ii. Peterborough Hospital had still not given support for the plan which prevents the plan from being approved; a further response from Peterborough was anticipated following the supply of further information
- iii. NHS England is due to release additional support for the project although the detail of this is not yet known.
- iv. A forward plan of future business cases due to come to the Board for support was provided, including recognition that a performance dashboard would be available for Members at the next meeting.

#### **RESOLVED:**

- 1. The Board noted the approved with support status of the Better Care Fund.
- 2. The Board noted the contents of the draft business cases presented in appendices A-C.
- 3. The Board noted the current challenges associated with implementation.
- 4. The Board noted the financial implications outlined in this report.
- 5. The Board approved the direction of travel outlined in each of the business cases presented.

#### 526 STEP UP STEP DOWN

Mrs Eames updated the Board on the Step Up Step Down project which aimed to prevent admissions to hospital or residential care where avoidable by providing services at home, minimising the length of stay for those who need to go into hospital and help people regain their maximum level of independence and wellbeing.

The following points were raised:

i. In response to a query about the budget for the REACH Team (5.1, first line) Mrs Eames explained that the work is already taking place but

- next year the Better Care Fund will be used to develop and enhance the existing service.
- ii. It was noted that with so many different changes there is a need to 'sign post' people to the different consultations.
- iii. The pressure on hospital beds emphasis the need to make this project work.

#### **RESOLVED:**

1. The Board noted the updates for the Step Up Step Down scheme.

#### 527 COMMUNITY AGENTS

Mrs Briggs updated the Board on the Community Agents projects which aimed to create a universal information and advice service for all age groups.

During discussion it was noted:

- i. That Mrs Briggs met with representatives from the Voluntary and Community Sector that provide services which might have an overlap with the Community Agent project, to ensure partners are working to support the same outcomes and existing skills and expertise from across the sector were maximised to support the scheme.
- ii. The project would commence on 1 April 2015.
- iii. Work is ongoing to find a partner to work with the Council to provide a service by 1 April otherwise an in house service will be provided
- iv. A further update would be provided to the Board when further developments had been made.

### **RESOLVED**

1. The Board noted the update for the Community Agents scheme.

#### 528 FEEDBACK FROM INFORMAL DEVELOPMENT SESSION

Councillor Emmett informed the Board of the feedback from the Informal Development Session.

The following points were noted:

- i. It was identified at the session that a locally based service is desired.
- ii. There needs to be stronger links built with the voluntary sector.
- iii. No respondent said that the approach is wrong.
- iv. There is an appetite for quicker development.

#### 529 CARE ACT IMPLEMENTATION UPDATE

Mrs De Miranda Candeia submitted a report to the Board on the Care Act Implementation. The aim of the report was to raise awareness of the principles and duties and to provide a local progress update.

The following points were raised:

i. Partnerships, cooperation and integration are all key themes within the Act. The Act emphasises the requirement on Local Authorities to work with key partners to promote wellbeing, improve the quality of care, ensure smooth transition from children's to adults' services and work effectively together to safeguard adults at risk of abuse or neglect. ii. It was noted that as a result of the Care Act implementation there are some unintended consequences such as, for example, the local authority now have direct responsibility for top up arrangements and people may need to move homes if the sponsor is unable to pay. This is the same now but the frequency may increase.

#### **RESOLVED**

1. The Board noted the Care Act Implementation Update.

### 530 BETTER CARE TOGETHER

Mr Cawley updated the Board about the Better Care Together project.

The following comments in relation to the report were made:

- NHS Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland faces as shortfall of £398m by 2018/19.
- ii. The Better Care Together programme sets out plans for eight clinical workstreams and within four different care settings.
- iii. Doing the minimum will be more expensive in the long term.
- iv. In order to deliver the reduction in beds, Better Care Together will need the local authorities to deliver the Better Care Funds.
- v. Overlapping of services is difficult as running an existing service alongside a service for the future is a strain on resources.

## **RESOLVED:**

1. The Board noted the report on the Better Care Together programme.

#### 531 LOCAL SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN BOARD ANNUAL REPORT

Mr Burnett introduced the Local Safeguarding Board annual report on the safeguarding of children and adults to the Board.

The following comments were noted:

- i. This year the report is a combined report for children and adult boards and Mr Burnett is interested to know if it was useful.
- ii. There has been a significant amount of progress and success.
- iii. Community safeguarding referrals is an issue.
- iv. Next year the board will become a statutory body and the board will need to be ready for the challenges that brings.
- v. Efficiency savings could be putting safeguarding at risk.

## The following point was raised:

i. Regarding safeguarding in the community people might not go to an official authority but they would go to particular individuals.

## **RESOLVED:**

1. The Board noted the annual report of the Local Safeguarding Children Board.

## 532 PRIMARY CARE OPERATING FRAMEWORK AND CO-COMMISSIONING TIMESCALES AND PROGRESS

Miss Sidyot and Dr Ker introduced a report by Tim Sacks on Primary Care Operating Framework and Co-Commissioning Timescales and Process which updated the Board on the direction of travel for Primary Medical Services in East Leicestershire and Rutland Clinical Commissioning Group.

The following points were raised:

- i. There is a need to look at attracting the right staff into the area.
- ii. More GP training needs to take place in the community.
- iii. Co-commissioning is the right thing to do and an effort needs to be made to try and amalgamate all the funds into one pot of money.

## 533 ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

No other urgent items of business were raised.

---oOo--The Chair declared the meeting closed at 3.30pm.
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