

Time commenced – 6.00pm
Time finished – 8.40pm

ADULTS AND PUBLIC HEALTH BOARD
18 JUNE 2012

Present Councillor Hillier (Chair)
 Councillors Harwood, Jennings, Martin, Pegg, Skelton, Turner, Webb and
 Whitby

01/12 Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence.

02/12 Late items introduced by the Chair

There were no late items.

03/12 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

**04/12 Minutes of the Adults, Health and Housing Commission –
 for information.**

The minutes of the last meeting of the Adults, Health and Housing Commission
held on 19 March 2012 were noted.

05/12 Call-in

There were no items.

06/12 East Midlands Ambulance Service – Foundation Trust Status Consultation

The Board received consultation papers and a presentation from the Chief Executive of the East Midlands Ambulance Service (EMAS) on its application to become a Foundation Trust. The Chief Executive reported on the proposed governance arrangements of the Foundation Trust and the new ways in which services would be delivered.

The Board raised concerns about previous EMAS standards of service and the proposed use of support hubs. It was reported that the use of hubs to support staff would help to improve standards of service, such as having dedicated staff to clean ambulances.

The Board raised concerns over the proposed use of Emergency Care Practitioners where there was potential for patients to stay at home. The Board were particularly concerned that if an elderly person had fallen during the night, it may be hard to find someone to sit with them. The Chief Executive explained that if a patient could not be left in a safe position at home, they would be taken to hospital.

The Chief Executive reported on the clinical assessment that takes place when people phone 999/111. The Board highlighted that some of the questions asked in the clinical assessment may be irrelevant to the patient, if the person making the call already knew what was wrong. The Chief Executive reported that it was vital that all the questions were asked to ensure that a proper clinical assessment had been undertaken.

The Board noted that one person to be appointed to the Council of Governors would represent all the Local Authorities in the East Midlands and questioned how the appointment would be made and how one person would communicate with all the other authorities. The Chief Executive explained that the selection process had not been finalised and re-assured the Board that it would be the job of the Foundation Trust to speak to all the Local Authorities.

Resolved that Members pass any comments to the Overview and Scrutiny Manager on the consultation by the East Midlands Ambulance Service on their application for Foundation Trust status. Overview and Scrutiny Manager to forward any comments to EMAS.

07/12 Remit of the Adults and Public Health Scrutiny Board

The Board received a presentation from the Strategic Director and Directors with responsibility for Adult Social Care and the Director of Public Health on the service areas within the remit of the Adults and Public Health Board.

It was reported that responsibility for public health was transferring from the NHS to the Local Authority and that this would provide opportunities for integrating services between public health and social care and also

strengthening the interface between the Council and the NHS.

The Board noted the key challenges in the four service areas, such as:

1. Older Adult Services – meaningful roll out of Personal Budgets to all older people.
2. Younger Adult Services – transformation of housing related support.
3. Sector Development – developing the market offer for personalisation.
4. Public Health – tackling significant health inequalities.

The Board identified the following items for possible inclusion in the work programme for the 2012/13 municipal year:

1. Transforming social care – looking at myths and issues around personalisation, making it easier and smoother for people to access personal care.
2. Evidence of the top five things the Director of Public Health could influence to improve health inequalities.
3. Revisit health inequalities review and consider issues that are under control of Derby City Council.
4. Forward Plan of Public and Wellbeing Board.
5. Supporting people – how savings of £6m in the supporting people budget will impact on vulnerable people.
6. Linking sports facilities with health issues.

Resolved that Members pass any other ideas to the Overview and Scrutiny Manager and that a report be brought to a future meeting of the Adults and Public Health Board so that Members can choose items for inclusion in the work programme for the 2012/13 municipal year.

08/12 Health Summit – making sense of it all

The Overview and Scrutiny Manager presented a report on Health Summit – making sense of it all. It was reported that a joint event was being organised for late July with Derbyshire County Council's Overview and Scrutiny Committee. The Board noted that the event would outline the major structural changes taking place in the NHS service, explain the role and process of statutory health scrutiny committees and seek ideas for establishing principles of joint working between scrutiny and the NHS.

It was reported that the cost of running the event would be shared between Derby City Council and Derbyshire County Council. The Board noted that the event would be of mutual interest to both Council Members and health bodies.

Resolved to note the report.

09/12 Council Cabinet Forward Plan

The Board identified the following items from the forward plan for consideration

at future meetings:

95/11 – Impact of Change in Adult Social Care Fair Access Criteria from
Moderate to Substantial

12/12 – Independent Complaints Advisory Service

MINUTES END