

Time commenced – 6.00 pm
Time finished – 8.05 pm

ADULTS AND HEALTH SCRUTINY REVIEW BOARD

10 OCTOBER 2017

Present: Councillor J Khan (Chair)
Councillors Webb, Eldret, Evans, Froggatt and Turner

07/17 Apologies for Absence

No apologies were received

08/17 Late Items

There were no late items.

09/17 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest

10/17 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Minutes from the meeting of 13 June 2017 were agreed as a correct record.

11/17 Adult Social Care Funding

The Board received a report of the Strategic Director of People Services asking them to receive and consider a Powerpoint presentation on Adult Social Care Funding. Kirsty McMillan, Service Director – Integration and Director Services and Alison Parkin, Head of Finance (Children and Young People) attended to give the presentation, brief the Board and answer any questions that they raised.

It was acknowledged that despite significant investment from Government budgets the funding was still under strain due to demand and the service was not able to fulfil all the needs required of it. The Board were advised that a number of strategies had been put in place to deal with the strains being put on the funding due to demands on services.

Alison Parkin gave the Board an explanation of the funding streams and where the additional demands were coming from. The Board were also briefed on the additional payment received with the Improved Better Care Fund and how this was being used.

Discussion was held over the cuts that had been made over the last 3 years and although additional funding had been received there was still a shortfall.

The Board resolved:

- 1. To note the presentation**
- 2. To invite officers back in the near future to give the members further update.**

12/17 Update on Access to GP Surgeries

The Board received a report of the Strategic Director of People Services asking them to receive and consider a Powerpoint presentation giving updated information on the work being done to try and alleviate the problem with accessing GP surgeries. Robert Hill, Senior Primary Care Commissioning Manager with the Southern Derbyshire CCG attended the meeting to give the presentation and answer any questions the Board had.

It was confirmed that there was a national problem in recruiting GPs and the role of nurses and clinicians was expanding along with a general need to up skill the workforce. Discussion was held on the proposed recruitment drive to recruit 500 GPs and change the way they work, having them manage nurses and clinicians with not such a high skill set.

Robert Hill advised the Board that NHS England had provided additional funding for GP surgeries to enable them to open for evening surgeries (6pm – 8pm) and for some weekend hours.

The Board were briefed on the two city surgeries which were acting as pilot surgeries, with new consultation methods, improvements in IT and enhanced triaging and signposting along with the four city hubs that were being set up. It was also confirmed that that funding for additional GP appointments, between Christmas and Easter had been given. Robert Hill also advised that from 1 October, 8am – 11pm a GP, Advanced Practice Nurse and Health Care Assistant will be on site in the A & E Department in the Derby Royal.

Discussion took place over the training of reception and support staff within GP surgeries and the monitoring of improvements made to access to GP surgeries. It was confirmed that this would be monitored by NHS England and they would be producing reports on the improvements made. Discussion also took place on surgeries that would be operating 'best practice' and how this would be rolled out to other surgeries.

The Board resolved:

- 1. To note the presentation**
- 2. To invite a representative back in the near future to give the members further update on work being done**

3. Receive NHS England's report on 'best practice'.

13/17 Services Delivered by Pharmacies

The Board received a report of the Strategic Director of People Services asking them to receive and consider a Powerpoint presentation giving updated information on the services provided by pharmacies. Samantha Travis, Clinical Leadership Adviser / Controlled Drugs Accountable Officer and Caroline Brew, Project Manager for Community Pharmacy for the CCG attended the meeting to give the presentation and answer any questions the board may have.

Samantha Travis informed the Board that there was a very robust network of pharmacists, confirming that they undertake five years training and are highly qualified, with 98% of pharmacies having private consultation rooms.

The Board were given details of the three tier pharmacy services:

- Essential services
- Advanced services (optional) – high take up
- Enhanced Service – commissioned by the Local Authority/NHS England and CCG

Caroline Brew briefed the Board on the Pharmacy First Scheme which was launched on 1 December 2016. This scheme was to promote the services the pharmacists could provide and was due to be reviewed and evaluation exercise undertaken.

Concerns were raised that the message of using the pharmacy service more and the promotion of the full range of services offered by the pharmacist were not being publicised enough. Discussion was held on how public awareness on these services could be made and what publicity campaigns had recently been run. Sam Travis reiterated that at the present time this could only be done locally as pharmacies were very resource limited and were also facing a 7.5% cut in funding.

The Board resolved:

- 1. To note the presentation**
- 2. To invite a representative back in the near future to give the members further update.**
- 3. To support measures to promote the pharmacy service and raise public awareness.**

14/17 Work Programme and Topic Review

The Board received a report of the Chief Executive. The Board were asked to discuss and agree the future work programme and topic review for the forthcoming municipal year. The Members discussed several topics and agreed to add additional topics to the work programme

Resolved to:

- 1) Note the presentation**
- 2) Agree the draft work programme**

MINUTES END