

**Blackburn with Darwen Health and Wellbeing Board  
Minutes of a Meeting held on Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> June 2018**

**PRESENT:**

<b>Councillors</b>	Mohammed Khan (Chair)
	Maureen Bateson
	John Slater
	Brian Taylor
<b>Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG)</b>	Roger Parr
<b>Lay Members</b>	Joe Slater
<b>Voluntary Sector</b>	Vicky Shepherd
	Angela Allen
<b>Healthwatch</b>	Abbey Mulla
<b>Council</b>	Louise Mattinson
	Gifford Kerr
	Sayyed Osman
	Ismail Hassan
	Wendi Shepherd
<b>Council Officers</b>	Linda Clegg
	Laura Wharton
<b>CCG Officers</b>	Lorraine Price
	Claire Jackson
<b>Midland and Lancashire Commissioning Support Unit</b>	Dawn Haworth

**1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES**

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting especially Cllr John Slater and Cllr Brian Taylor who were attending for the first time. Apologies were received on behalf of Dominic Harrison and Dr Penny Morris.

**2. Minutes of the meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

As an action from the previous minutes a correction was noted that on page 2, Item 2 of the minutes this should read 'Meem Strategy'.

**RESOLVED**

1. That the minutes of the meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> March 2018 be agreed as a correct record subject to the amendment reference to above.

### **3. Declarations of Interest**

Joe Slater outlined his interest in item 7 on the agenda relating to Child Actions.

### **4. Public Questions.**

The Chair informed the Board that no public questions had been received.

### **5. Universal Credit**

The Board received a verbal update from Louise Mattinson, Director of Finance and Customer Services on Universal Credit as requested at the last Board Development Session. Louise had prepared a hand out which was circulated.

Louise highlighted the key points to the Board:

- Country wide roll out of Universal Credit - postcodes in Blackburn with Darwen started on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2018 with online services.
- New claims made on the following; Job Seekers Allowance, Income Support, Employment Support Allowance, Tax Credits, Child Tax Credits and Housing Benefits.
- Reduced waiting time for New Claimants to 5 weeks abolishing the 7 day waiting period and repayment extended from 6 months to 12 months
- Difficult implementation – numbers have exceeded expectations.
- Issues identified and being addressed – claimants with limited digital, poor language and literacy skills.
- Support provided by BWD, Shelter and DWP - Council support system – more work to be completed on this.
  - Provide drop in centres
  - Shortage of English language course
  - Monitoring and working with DWP
  - Currently there are no figures to hand, but looking to monitor where possible and to signposting people to agencies when their needs cannot be met and to ensure the information imputed is correct the first time to avoid delays.

The Board expressed their concerns on the impact on the citizens of the Borough and those finding it difficult to access the new digital system, especially those with mental health and learning difficulties who have been denied benefits. It was noted that Shelter, Healthwatch and Together Housing were already working to support people to avert crisis in poverty, homelessness and drug addiction.

The Board was informed that Darwen Job Centre was closing and this would have a long-term impact on the health and wellbeing of citizens, that there was currently a pilot scheme with partners working together to mitigate issues for vulnerable people:

- The local health centre has opened a drop-in centre to assist with Universal Credit and GPs were looking at how they can support each other linking to agencies.

The Board felt that changes should be made to make this process simpler and that the Government needed to look at this again. Councillor Mohammed Khan noted that Councillor John Slater had already written to the Minister and there would be no changes. The Board asked what could they do in partnership, working together to help Citizens through GP's, CCG's, libraries and neighbourhood working, looking at

how people can be supported.

## **RESOLVED**

1. That the presentation be noted; and
2. That the Sayyed Osman and Louise Mattinson look at the support that can be made available to the community with regard to language, literacy and technology, and to look at the pilot scheme in Darwen.

## **6. Better Care Fund and Joint Commissioning**

Claire Jackson, Interim Director of Commissioning presented the report and explained that the paper had been reviewed in advance of the meeting by the Board. Claire had previously updated the Board at the last meeting on the Financial position at 12 months and final position this year. Claire noted that Section 5.2 of the report outlined the changes and funding to the plan for this year.

The purpose of the report was to:

- Provide the Health and Wellbeing Board members with an overview of Better Care Fund (BCF) performance reporting and finance position at Quarter 4 for 2017/18.
- Request that the Health and Wellbeing Board members approve the developments within the BCF 17–19 plan for 18/19 delivery.
- Provide Health and Wellbeing Board members with the BCF and iBCF Finance schedule for 2018/19.

The Board discussed several key issues:

- Funding and budgets
- 'Home first and discharge' to reduce the lengths of stays in hospital
- Reduction in admissions – this is still being evaluated along with schemes for care homes. These figures are so small that the impact is not currently visible.
- Pharmacies first – Gifford Kerr was assessing this area and concluded that the borough was well provided with pharmacies and would encourage people to use them so that they would remain open. Claire also updated that the Neighbourhood Teams were working closely with pharmacies' and were included in practices to help deliver care and enabling people to remain at home. Claire also updated on online services and home delivery of prescriptions, but noted that the impact, benefits and reduction on wasted medication was difficult to evidence at present.

The Chair thanked Claire for her report and congratulated her on her new role with Pennine Lancashire. Claire confirmed that she would remain in CCG in Blackburn and would still attend these meetings but would not represent Better Care.

## **RESOLVED**

1. That the Health and Wellbeing Board members note the BCF quarter 4 submission and progress made against delivering the BCF plan including the 12 month finance position; and
2. That they also approve the changes made within the BCF Plan for 18/19 delivery.

## **7. Lancashire Children and Young People's Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health Transformation Plan Update**

The Board received a presentation and report from Dawn Haworth, Midland and Lancashire Commissioning Support Unit. The purpose of the report was to provide an update to the Board of progress in delivering the Children and Young People's Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health Transformation Programme, in particular:

- A summary of the current strategic context and how that is shaping the work of the programme.
- An update on the delivery of the Transformation Plan and its refresh for 2018.
- Challenges that the programme is facing, in particular variation in access, waiting times and investment levels.
- An update on the major project to redesign CAMHS across Lancashire and South Cumbria in line with THRIVE (More evidence based) Think, Risk, Educate
- Ask for the Health and Wellbeing Boards ongoing support for the programme.

### Key priorities

- Review Transformation plan
- CAMHS is funded by BWD to ensure we have best possible service.

The Board raised issues with regard to accessing services for both adults and children and comparable statistics. Dawn noted that the data currently was poor, but was seeking to address this, for those who could not access the services and noted that we need to get this right.

- Improving mental and physical wellbeing – via Sport England
- Healthy activity in schools with early intervention
  - Gifford Kerr would liaise with Leisure services to link-in help and support for children and adults are included to access development money.

### **Actions**

- Dawn to provide Cllr John Slater with data to back up evidence via Laura Wharton on
  - THRIVE
  - Data for children carrying mental health issues into adult hood.
- Dawn to liaise with Abbey Mulla - Healthwatch is very interested in encouraging young people to be involved and is commissioning to work with young people and families via workshops. Abbey's group are looking at how this can enhance checkpoint, the experiences and barriers etc.

The Chair thanked Dawn for her presentation noting the challenges that had been met especially in investments. Councillor Maureen Bateson said that the Scrutiny Group were currently working with Young People and would be interested in Dawn presenting to the group.

### **RESOLVED**

1. That the Health and Wellbeing Board noted the current strategic context and how that is shaping the work of the programme.
2. That the Health and Wellbeing Board noted the progress made in delivering against the Transformation Plan and noted the publication of the refreshed Transformation Plan.
3. That the Health and Wellbeing Board noted the challenges that the programme is

- facing, in particular variation in access, waiting times and investment levels.
4. That the Health and Wellbeing Board noted the update on the CAMHS Redesign project; and
  5. That the Health and Wellbeing Board confirmed that ongoing support for the programme.

## **8. Review of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy**

The Board was due to receive a presentation from Wendi Shepherd from the Public Health Team on the review of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy, but as time was short it was agreed that Wendi would give a quick update. Wendi agreed to email her presentation to the Board and to meet with anyone who wished further information.

Wendi informed the Board that she was leaving in July, but would finalise before she left and would bring the report to the Board in Autumn for continuity.

### **RESOLVED**

1. That Wendi Shepherd bring an update to the Board in Autumn; and
2. That Wendi Shepherd would send a draft report to Members with the notes and presentation.

## **9. Social Integration**

(This item was presented before item 6 on the agenda)

Sayyed Osman, Director of Adults & Prevention (DASS) and Ismail Hasham, Cohesion Advisor on Social Integration attended to present the Social Integration to the Board and covered the following areas:

- Our Vision and Ambitions
- Our Communities
- Volunteering and Your Call
- Civic Events
- Engage in Shared Experience young old and mix enjoying time (photo)
- Workshop Groups and Themes (three key issues) Young People/Social mixing,
- Integration Synopsis
- Access to pathways
- Social mixing
- Local Economy
- Next Steps
  - Stakeholder workshops (Monday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2018)
  - Update Logic Model
  - Member Workshop (Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2018)
  - Shadow Local Integration Partnership
  - National meeting with MHCLG
  - Follow up on key themes, evaluation and feedback
  - Submission of Logic Model to MHCLG

### Overview

- BwDBC Approached and delighted to Partner MHCLG given 'Strategic Fit' with our ambitions and Vision.

- MHCLG Announcement – 5 Partnership Areas including BwDBC, Bradford MBC, Peterborough, Waltham Forest, Walsall.
- Context of £50Million announced – (no real money at this stage – working on proposal) Working towards submission in Sept 18.
- This council’s leadership is absolutely committed to Integration.
- Our style is to be positive and ambitious, to tackle issues head on. We do this by working closely with lots of different groups and organisations.
- Our young population is one of our biggest assets and is already leading the way on this agenda, which promises real hope for the future.
- We want all communities to prosper, have access to opportunities with no barriers preventing them from being able to engage and thrive.
- This partnership will help trial and pioneer new ways to further advance integration with a sustainable legacy.

Discussions took place following the presentation on how to move forward and the best place to start the journey through young people and through sports. Suggestions were made where people could come together and talk about cultural differences and experiences.

The Chair thanked Sayyed for his presentation and noted this was a very important agenda and that even though some people did not want to integrate the Board could not be complacent and that the Council was a good place to start with strong links to communities.

**RESOLVED**

1. That the Health and Wellbeing Board notes the information presented; and
2. That Sayyed Osman would send the presentation and video link to the Board Members.

Chair.....

Meeting at which the minutes were signed.....