

To be submitted to Council at its meeting on 29th September 2022

MEETING OF THE PLACE BOARD

PART A - OPERATING AS THE HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

11th July 2022 at 2.00pm

Present:

Councillor Shreeve (in the Chair)
Councillors Cracknell and Jackson

In attendance:

- Rob Walsh (Chief Executive)
- Bev Compton (Director of Adult Services),
- Dr Peter Melton (Integrated Care Board)
- Claire Etheridge (Sector Support)
- Julie Walmsley (Voluntary Sector)
- Tracy Slattery (Healthwatch)

Also in attendance:

- Murray MacDonald (Lincolnshire Housing Partnership)
- Helen Isaacs (Assistant Chief Executive)
- David Talbot (Development and Growth Board)
- Geoff Barnes (Assistant Director of Public Health)
- Wendy Ellis (Vice Principal Franklin College)
- David Stephenson (Humberside Police)
- Amber Abernethie (Public Health Trainee)
- Emma Overton (Integrated Care Board)
- Rachel Brunton (Integrated Care Board)
- Zoe Campbell (Scrutiny and Committee Advisor)

HWBB.1 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR

RESOLVED – That Councillor Shreeve be appointed as the Chair of the Place Board, when operating as the Health and Wellbeing Board, for the municipal year 2022/23.

HWBB.2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence for part A of this meeting were received from Helen Kenyon (Integrated Care Board) Joanne Hewson (Deputy Chief Executive and Executive Director for People, Health and Care), Jane Miller (Care Plus Group) and Derek Ward (Director of Public Health)

HWBB.3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Dr Melton declared a personal interest in item HWBB.8 as there was a dispensing pharmacy within his GP practice.

HWBB.4 MINUTES

RESOLVED – That the minutes from the meeting of the Health and Wellbeing Board held on the 21st February 2022 be agreed as an accurate record.

HWBB.5 BETTER CARE FUND

The Board considered a report seeking approval of the quarter four end of year return for the Better Care Fund.

There was a query by a member of the board about the disabled facilities grant underspend. Ms Compton explained that the governance around the process had been heightened and one of the main reasons for the underspend was the shortage of Occupational Health Therapists, who were critical to the process. There had been a review of the processes which had led to them being streamlined and some innovative work had been developed to overcome some of the problems with adaptations. She confirmed that the spend was on track within year but previous underspend had been historically problematic.

RESOLVED - That the end of year/ quarter four reporting submission, 2021/22 (that was submitted via the delegated authority of the then portfolio holder, Councillor Cracknell) be approved.

HWBB.6 DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH ANNUAL REPORT

The Board considered the Director of Public Health annual report, as submitted to Cabinet on the 15th June 2022.

Ms Ellis referred to the mental health recommendations and the concern over the impact of COVID, especially on children and young people. She had also noticed that vaping amongst young people was on the rise. Mr Barnes explained that this was likely to be a by-product of isolation during lock downs which had affected young people mentally.

Mr Talbot queried if there had been any work been done with small and medium business enterprises (SME's) who may struggle to provide support for staff because of COVID. Mr Barnes confirmed that officers

were targeting the larger employers because it reached more people however, he welcomed any ideas on reaching the SME's.

Mr Stephenson referred to the lack of occupational health therapists and was there any opportunity to provide training courses locally to attract people into that career path. Ms Compton agreed and explained that there was a chronic shortage of staff in adult social care at all levels and there was an opportunity through the Integrated Care Board to create a workforce, starting with work in schools to promote these types of careers.

Ms Etheridge welcomed further conversation to support the voluntary and community sector because there were a lot of challenges in terms of need and as a result there needed to be a focus on building the sectors resilience if they need to support people locally.

Councillor Jackson acknowledged the number of job vacancies in health and adult social care together with the shortage of skills in some key sectors. He queried how collectively the board could address the job shortage to enable local people to take up the vacancies. Ms Compton explained that people with chronic long term mental health issues may struggle to work and maintain employment. She felt consideration should be given by employers around how they could support people who had mental health issues and wanted to work.

Councillor Shreeve asked the board members to come back to the November meeting to feedback actions their organisations were committing to in respect of the recommendations within the report.

RESOLVED – That the board members come back to the meeting of this Board in November 2022 to feedback actions their organisations were committing to in respect of the recommendations within the Director of Public Health's Annual Report.

HWBB.7 INTEGRATED HEALTH CARE

The Board received a verbal update on integrated health care.

Dr Melton highlighted that there were key groups, including children, and the over 65's where the integrated care partnership (ICP) needed to focus money and resources. He explained there was still work to bring it all together at 'place' but it was going in the right direction.

RESOLVED – That the update be noted.

HWBB.8 PHARMACEUTICAL NEEDS ASSESSMENT

The Board received a briefing paper that updated them on the process to date and timescales for finalising the pharmaceutical needs assessment.

RESOLVED – That the briefing paper be noted.

HWBB.9 PLACE BOARD, INCORPORATING THE HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD, REVIEW

The Board received a briefing paper that updated the board on the process and timescales to review the existing terms of reference and the membership of the Health and Wellbeing Board. This would take place with the purpose to ensure that the North East Lincolnshire Health and Wellbeing Board was meeting its statutory obligations and remained fit for purpose within the new integrated health and care system.

Mr Walsh explained the need for the review that linked with the integrated healthcare system and that statutory guidance with the ICP. He confirmed that the review was timely and would be completed by the end of the summer with a report submitted to the next meeting of this Board on 5th September 2022.

RESOLVED – That the briefing paper be noted.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 2.50 p.m.