

MEETING:	Health and Wellbeing Board
DATE:	Thursday 9 June 2022
TIME:	2.00 pm
VENUE:	Council Chamber, Barnsley Town Hall

MINUTES

Present

Councillor Jenny Platts, Cabinet Spokesperson - Place Health and Adult Social Care (Chair)

Councillor Caroline Makinson, Cabinet Spokesperson - Public Health and Communities

Wendy Lowder, Executive Director Adults and Communities

Julia Burrows, Director of Public Health

Jeremy Budd, Director of Commissioning and Partnerships, NHS Barnsley Clinical Commissioning Group

Adrian England, Health Watch Barnsley

Kathy McArdle, Service Director, Place (Regeneration and Culture)

Emma Robinson, Senior Performance and Intelligence Officer (BMBC),

Sue Barton, SWYFT

Bob Kirton, Chief Delivery Officer and Deputy Chief Executive BHNFT

Phil Ainsworth, Public Health Senior Practitioner

Emma Labeledzki, Public Health Project Officer

Claire Hogley, Business Support Officer, Healthier Communities (Minutes)

1 Appointment of Chairperson

RESOLVED that Councillor Platts be appointed Chair of the Meeting.

Councillor Platts welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2 Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

There were no declarations of pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest from Members in respect of items on the agenda.

3 Minutes of the Board Meeting held on 3rd February 2022

The meeting considered the minutes of the previous meeting held on 3rd February 2022.

Cllr Makinson raised a query with regards to the Child of the North Report as to whether there was an action plan in place to take the recommendations forward. No colleagues from Children's Services were present at the meeting to respond to the query. The Chair confirmed that she would raise this with Children's Services.

RESOLVED that:

- (i) the minutes be approved as a true and correct record; and

- (ii) the Chair liaise with Children's Services as to whether an action plan is in place to take the recommendations forward from the Child of the North Report.

4 Message of thanks to Cllr Andrews - Verbal - Nominated Chairperson

At the local elections in May 2022, Cllr Andrews had not been re-elected. He would, therefore, no longer be able to be the Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board. The Chair recognised that Cllr Andrews' exceptional leadership and hard work was instrumental to shape new Health and Wellbeing strategy. Cllr Andrews was highly thought of for tackling health and social inequalities in Barnsley and for improving the lives of people across the borough.

RESOLVED that:

- (i) the Board recognises and is appreciative of the great work undertaken by Cllr Andrews during his time of service; and
- (ii) it be noted that Councillor Makinson would take over as Chair of the Board in future, supported by a deputy.

5 Health Inequalities in Barnsley - Emma Robinson

Emma Robinson, Senior Performance and Intelligence Officer (BMBC) presented the current position on Health Inequalities in Barnsley.

Indicators had been updated since the last meeting. PHE Public Health Outcomes Framework divided indicators into 4 key domains.

New data across life expectancy indicators (2018-2020) showed:

- Healthy life expectancy was now falling for both males and females, locally and nationally.
- Improvements in the inequality gap.
- Life expectancy across the borough showed variation for different geographical areas across Barnsley.
- A fall in healthy life expectancy for males, which was now the lowest in South Yorkshire.

Wider determinants around health:

- Children and low-income families' provisional data was treated with caution due to the impact of COVID-19 however geographical variation could be seen once more.
- There was a gap in employment rate with those with a long-term health condition.

Health improvement:

- Excess weight data was higher than national average.

- National data for 2020-21 showed a prevalence of overweight children of primary school age. It was anticipated that there would be a similar pattern in Barnsley's data.

Healthcare and premature mortality:

- Was higher than the national average in Barnsley for conditions such as heart disease and cancer.

Impact of COVID-19:

- There was a risk of exposure to the virus and impacts of lockdowns.
- Mortality rates were higher in more deprived areas.
- ONS data showed Barnsley to have the highest percentage of excess deaths in the Yorkshire and Humber.

Mental Health impacts of COVID-19:

- Although in the recovery period from the virus, ONS survey showed levels of depression was higher than pre-pandemic levels.
- Vulnerable adults were more likely to experience depression.
- There were high levels of depression amongst unemployed adults and those struggling financially.

All 4 goals of Barnsley 2030 linked to health inequalities:

- Inequalities in learning.
- Inequalities in growth.
- Inequalities in sustainability.
- Inequalities in health.

The Chair thanked Emma for her presentation and requested feedback from the Board on any next steps.

RESOLVED that:

- (i) it be noted that data and trends shown around health inequalities in Barnsley is particularly useful in determining the next steps;
- (ii) the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment be regularly updated and reflect the findings of this data;
- (iii) it be noted that the new Integrated Care System (ICS) will have a proactive role in tackling issues of health inequalities;
- (iv) the presentation to be shared with the Inclusive Economy Board and any other relevant partnerships;
- (v) it be noted that a request has been made for partners to join the Healthy Weight Alliance and that this be reissued to improve engagement; and

(vi) the Board endorse its committed to working collectively and in partnership with relevant organisations to tackle the inequalities shown.

6 Verbal update from the Barnsley 2030 Board - Bob Kirton

Bob Kirton, Chief Delivery Officer and Deputy Chief Executive BHNFT, provided a verbal update on Barnsley 2030 and the recent development workshop which has taken place. Particular reference was made to the following:

- Barnsley 2030 Board - was a new initiative, bringing together public and private sector organisations from a variety of sectors.
- The alignment of work with the four themes of Barnsley 2030: Learning, Growing, Healthy, Sustainable.
- The many links between various areas, such as with inequalities which cut across all four areas.
- The use of data together with stories about people etc.
- The data which showed shocking truths, and was challenging to tackle. There was a need to focus on how to resolve all issues.
- The Workshop particularly focussed on children and transition to adulthood e.g. apprenticeships and employment opportunities. Update from Youth Forum.
- The thinking about plans a decade in advance.
- The voice of children and young people which was crucial to influence those plans.
- The NHS focus on health inequalities. It is felt useful to widen this to general inequalities, focusing on fairness, education, economic inequalities, as they all linked.
- The importance of making good employment accessible and providing a variety of opportunities. Supporting travel links and enabling people to physically get to work.

The Chair praised the Workshop having had many active participants with excellent ideas coming out of it.

RESOLVED that:

- (i) It be noted that food is a multi-purpose solution as there are strong links between healthy eating and community cohesion;
- (ii) It be noted that there are spaces available around Barnsley that could be utilised for volunteering projects, such as allotments in need of maintenance due to staff shortages;
- (iii) That it be noted that the BMBC volunteering scheme offers 4 paid volunteering days per year and links can be made through volunteering through partnership and agency working with organisations such as Age UK Barnsley and Barnsley CVS;
- (iv) That it be noted that the Incredible Edible website was a useful point of reference for green spaces being converted into food growing spaces and that Incredible Edible be invited to present at a future meeting, to look at the mechanism for utilising unused council green space; and

(v) the Board work with the initiatives already in place to build on this and strengthen their focus.

7 Director of Public Health Annual Report - Julia Burrows

Julia Burrows, Director of Public Health presented the Board with information about her Annual Report 2021 'What matters to me now – the voice of children and young people in Barnsley'.

This report was key as it explained what children and young people were telling us and particular attention was drawn to chapter 4 of the report.

There were currently many quantitative indicators in the Public Health Outcomes Framework. An observation was made that more qualitative data was also needed.

Qualitative data collection for the report contained a high level of engagement via a fun, creative, inclusive and diverse variety of exercises.

The pandemic put the engagement process on hold to an extent, but once resumed, this provided more information on what mattered to children and young people, pre- and post-pandemic.

Themes arising included:

- Connecting with people – family and home; friendships and belonging
- Being active and outdoor play
- Concern for the environment and the planet
- Commitment to education and learning
- Health and Healthcare
- Help and support for those who need it
- Concerns around smoking and alcohol – improving life chances
- Inclusivity and diversity
- Feeling safe
- Public transport
- Having fun and being creative
- Holidays and celebrations

There were a variety of recommendations in the report around supporting children based on the feedback received.

Providing children with a good childhood and allow them to experience joy was also a key priority within Barnsley 2030.

Credit was extended to Amy Baxter, Public Health, for being the driving force behind the report and consultation.

The Chair also praised the work that had taken place and the importance of the recommendations going forward.

RESOLVED that

- (i) the Board support the recommendations in the report and is committed to actioning them;
- (ii) it be noted that the report and consultation show what is important to children and young people and is very impactful via the artwork collected;
- (iii) the Board recognises that the report shows themes of loneliness and isolation and values the importance of enabling children and young people to connect with peers, family, supportive adults, Youth Services, Early Years, and others.

8 Mental Health Strategy - Patrick Otway & Adrian England

Adrian England provided an update on the strategy and requested approval and sign off by the Board.

The Mental Health strategy would be reviewed annually and regularly brought to the Health and Wellbeing Board.

As Chair of Mental Health Partnership, Adrian England thanked all those involved in the creation of the strategy.

Patrick Otway reported that the partnership would link to the mental health dashboard to identify the impact of the strategy going forward.

RESOLVED that:

- (i) the Board formally endorse and sign off the publication of the Barnsley Mental Health and Well Being Strategy 2022-26; and
- (ii) it be noted that the new integrated care arrangements will determine further actions and greater transparency on funding for mental health and output and outcomes and ensuring money goes to the right place for the right reason.

9 Verbal Update from Creativity and Wellbeing Week - Kathy McArdle

Kathy McArdle, Service Director, Place (Regeneration and Culture) provided a verbal report on the Creativity and Wellbeing Week held between the 16th and 22nd May, 2022.

She particularly commented on the following:

- she recognised the energy and effort from the Public Health team in the launch of the week.
- The week had explored what creativity, culture and wellbeing actually meant in a range of settings.
- Various events throughout the week had been attended by a whole range of providers.
- A wide range of activities ran throughout the week to improve engagement and promote creativity and wellbeing.
- A theme had emerged from the final workshop of living well and how a culture of creativity was key to have a healthy and productive life.

She was keen to co-produce next steps which included:

- Leaders at every level to kickstart these conversations.
- Short-term and long-term actions needed to drive this forward.
- Revisit the terminology to remove complicated jargon.
- Develop a citizen led cultural strategy for the borough.
- Develop a mechanism to promote great practice.
- A Role to support infrastructure around this area – culture, health and creativity role sitting within Barnsley Museums.
- Evaluate communications – assess engagement of activities.
- Develop a Culture Strategy – citizen led, co-produced, involving the Health and Wellbeing Board.
- Projects to develop going forward.
- Support from the Board – engagement with networks to develop strategy.
- Engaging Health and Care Teams across BMBC and partners.

The Chair thanked Kathy McArdle for the update and invited comments from board members.

RESOLVED that

- (i) the Board recognises that Creativity and Wellbeing Week was a great opportunity for people to reconnect and pick up different activities; and
- (ii) the Board continue to support the work around the Culture Strategy.

10 Minutes from the Safer Barnsley Partnership held on 20th December 2021

The meeting considered the minutes from the Safer Barnsley Partnership held on 20th December 2021.

Wendy Lowder, Executive Director Adults and Communities, commented that the trends around Domestic Violence had increased, and that the pandemic had not helped. Unfortunately, there had been some recent tragic deaths. Domestic Violence featured in 73% of child protection cases. The Partnership is working hard on the Domestic Abuse Strategy.

RESOLVED that the minutes be received.

11 Minutes from the Stronger Communities Partnership held on 11th November 2021 and 18th February 2022

The meeting considered the minutes from the Stronger Communities Partnership held on 11th November 2021 and 18th February 2022.

RESOLVED that the minutes be received.

12 Better Care Fund Annual Report

RESOLVED that the Better Care Fund Annual Report, submitted for information only, be received.

13 BCF Year End Return

RESOLVED that the Better Care Fund Year End Return, submitted for information only, be received.

14 Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment - Public Consultation

RESOLVED that the report on the Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment Public Consultation held between Monday 16th May and Friday 15th July, 2022 submitted for information only, be received.

Chair