MINUTES

Present

Dr Nick Balac, Chair, NHS Barnsley Clinical Commissioning Group (in the Chair)
Councillor Jim Andrews BEM, Deputy Leader
Councillor Margaret Bruff, Cabinet Spokesperson - People (Safeguarding)
Councillor Jenny Platts, Cabinet Spokesperson - Communities
Wendy Lowder, Executive Director Communities
Julia Burrows, Director Public Health
Lesley Smith, Chief Officer, NHS Barnsley Clinical Commissioning Group
Emma Wilson, NHS England Area Team
Adrian England, HealthWatch Barnsley
Sean Rayner, District Director, South West Yorkshire Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
Helen Jaggar, Chief Executive, Berneslai Homes

1 Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

There were no declarations of pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest.

2 Minutes of the Board Meeting held on 3rd April, 2018 (HWB.05.06.2018/2)

The meeting considered the minutes of the previous meeting held on 3rd April, 2018. Arising from Minute 58, the meeting noted SSDG consideration of topics for discussion at the proposed development session on 7th August, 2018 and that any contributions from Board members as to matters to be considered at that session would be welcomed.

RESOLVED that the minutes be approved as a true and correct record.

3 Minutes from the Safer Barnsley Partnership held on 28th February, 2018 (HWB.05.06.2018/3)

The meeting considered the minutes from the Safer Barnsley Partnership meeting held on 28th February, 2018. The meeting noted the benefits of closer working and collaboration between the Council, South Yorkshire Police and South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service identified in the minutes. Work was also progressing in developing the next edition of the Safer Communities Plan, which would be launched at a joint event with the Adult Safeguarding Board, and would be circulated to Health and Wellbeing Board members when finalised.

RESOLVED that the minutes be received.
4 Minutes from the Provider Forum held on 7th March, 2018 (HWB.05.06.2018/4)

The meeting considered the minutes from the Provider Forum meeting held on 7th March, 2018.

The meeting noted the focus of the discussion on dementia, and consideration of the contribution made by providers in other partnerships. The Forum had developed a forward plan of agenda items, and would be considering the Public Health Strategy at a future meeting, but would welcome suggestions from partners as to areas that the Provider Forum should consider.

The meeting discussed the membership of the Forum and attendance by representatives and the need perhaps to give this further consideration. A particular consideration was the move towards delivery of services at the neighbourhood level, and whether Provider Forums should be built around this geographical configuration. However, the key consideration in this approach would be whether sufficient capacity existed to support Provider Forums at this level.

RESOLVED:-

(i) that the minutes be received; and

(ii) that the Executive Director Communities and Chair of Provider Forum discuss arrangements for a review of the membership and configuration of the Provider Forum for further consideration.

5 Minutes from the Stronger Communities Partnership held on 19th February, 2018 (HWB.05.06.2018/5)

The meeting considered the minutes from the Stronger Communities Partnership Board meeting held on 19th February, 2018. The meeting noted in particular the launch of Live Well Barnsley and the engagement with over 700 groups in this initiative, and the need for partners to help promote the service. The meeting noted the importance of providing appropriate links to My Best Life from Live Well Barnsley and the need to give further consideration about how the two initiatives can work better together. A better understanding of the people using both services as a way of identifying gaps in provision was noted as an area for further investigation.

The meeting noted the increasing role for the voluntary and community sector in complementing the health and social care system. The meeting noted the value of support from friends, family and the wider community, particularly for people with mental health problems, with agencies making provision where this support was not in place. However, there was a need to give consideration to the proper training of volunteers in these roles, and to ensure that there was clarity about how this could be escalated to the agencies when necessary.

The meeting noted plans to develop growing schemes on unused public space, perhaps under the banner of “Incredible Edible”. The meeting noted the role that could be played in growing schemes tackling food poverty, and noted that Fair Share was investigating the possibility of developing a community pantry.
RESOLVED:-

(i) that the minutes be received; and

(ii) that the Executive Director Communities and Chief Officer of the CCG investigate how better links can be made between Live Well Barnsley and My Best Life, including an analysis of data to identify gaps in provision/coverage.

6 Public Questions (HWB.05.06.2018/6)

The meeting noted that no public questions had been received for this meeting and that a further review of the arrangements was due at the October meeting of the Board. The meeting discussed the need for the review to consider if the current arrangements were such that they encouraged the public to ask questions.

RESOLVED that the intention for the review of the arrangements for public questions to be considered at the Board’s October meeting be noted.

7 Local Health and Care Records Exemplar (LHCRE) (HWBB.05.06.2018/7)

The meeting received a report on proposals for a Yorkshire and Humber Health and Care Record Exemplar site bid, and informing the Health and Wellbeing Board of the request that Barnsley Council give its support for this bid. The proposal was consistent with the work already being undertaken in Barnsley to develop a digital roadmap to establish interoperability of systems across health and social care, which had previously been considered by the Board. The meeting noted that, if the bid was successful, there would be a need to identify match funding across the region of £7.5m over 2 years. Although the bid would not commit partners to providing that match funding at this stage, it was anticipated that the funding already provided for the digital roadmap could be counted towards this. Similarly, the element of vanguard funding towards interoperability might also be a source of match funding.

RESOLVED that the proposed Yorkshire and Humber Local Health and Care Record Exemplar bid be noted and the Health and Wellbeing Board place on record its support for the Chief Executive of Barnsley Council to write in support of the bid.

8 Health Protection (HWB.05.06.2018/8)

The meeting received a report and presentation on the role and scope of health protection work being undertaken in Barnsley, including the system where a range of organisations have responsibility to respond to threats to the health of the population. The meeting noted action in relation to preventing future deaths from food induced anaphylaxis and the measles action plan as examples of work undertaken under the auspice of the Barnsley Health Protection Board. The meeting also noted work to undertake an audit of local health protection arrangements, to review plans and test response arrangements.

The meeting noted the intention to incorporate a check of food businesses’ procedures in relation to preventing anaphylaxis as part of the normal food hygiene regime. Members commented on the emphasis in relation to food businesses, and noted that many food related services might now be provided in the voluntary and
community sector. There was a need to be clear whether the proposed checks would pick up this type of activity.

The meeting noted the recent publication of data in relation to sexually transmitted diseases, which had seen a 25% increase nationally. There was a need to consider the data for Barnsley to identify if this raises any issues for the Health and Wellbeing Board. In relation to flu vaccinations, the meeting noted the need for further promotion for next winter, although it was understood that vaccination rates in Barnsley for 2017/18 were the highest ever achieved.

RESOLVED:-

(i) that the approach to health protection in Barnsley, as identified in the report, be noted and minutes of the Health Protection Board be received by the Health and Wellbeing Board by exception when there are matters in need of further consideration;

(ii) that a report be submitted on an annual basis to the Health and Wellbeing Board on Health Protection Board activity to provide assurance that the health of the residents of Barnsley is being protected in a pro-active and effective way; and

(iii) that the Director of Public Health review the data on sexually transmitted diseases in Barnsley for reporting to the Board in order that any further actions can be considered.

9 Access to Primary Care (HWB.05.06.2018/9)

The meeting received a report and presentation giving an overview of arrangements for access to primary medical care in Barnsley. The meeting noted specific initiatives in relation to extended access through the iHeart Barnsley arrangements, the use of digital technology to improve access through the Patient Partner and Patient On-line arrangements, and a range of workforce initiatives that recognise the importance of access to general practice services, rather than just the GP as an individual. The presentation highlighted as priorities for 2018/19 the consideration of results from the 2018 Patients Survey, the wider development of e-consultations, increased capacity of extended access and patient on-line uptake, a review of current opening hours and consideration of locality access.

The meeting welcomed the proposals to develop the extended access arrangements, particularly given the difficulty that residents of the Dearne Valley would have accessing the current arrangements. The use of digital technology to access services was noted, and there was a need to consider possible barriers, including poor broadband coverage as well as digital exclusion, in enabling access. The current review of libraries also provided an opportunity to review the use of space in LIFT centres to support developments within the locality.

The meeting welcomed the consideration being given to the work undertaken by HealthWatch in relation to access to general practice. The importance of promoting with the public the idea that there were numerous entry points for general practice services, and not just through the GP, in order to maximise access was acknowledged. The meeting noted the response from Accident and Emergency
services that 25% of those patients attending hospital could have been treated by their GP, and that potentially more patients could be redirected if general practice had the capacity. This highlighted the importance of ensuring that patients were properly signposted to those different access points.

RESOLVED that the report and presentation be noted and the plans and priorities for improving access to general practice services during 2018/19 be welcomed.

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Chair