# **HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE** Monday 23 March 2015 at 2pm

# Membership

## Councillors

Colleen Harwood (Chairman) John Allin Kate Foale **Bruce Laughton** John Ogle Jacky Williams

#### **District Members**

	Glenys Maxwell	Ashfield District Council
Α	Brian Lohan	Mansfield District Council
	David Staples	Newark and Sherwood District Council

Griff Wynne **Bassetlaw District Council** Α

#### **Officers**

Alison Fawley **Nottinghamshire County Council** Martin Gately Nottinghamshire County Council

#### Also in attendance

Claire Granger	Healthwatch Nottinghamshire
Lindsay Price	Public Health
Simon Parkes	Newark & Sherwood Clinical Commissioning Group
Rick Dickinson	Doncaster & Bassetlaw Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
Lisa Dinsdale	Sherwood Forest Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
Ben Widdowson	Sherwood Forest Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
Peter Wozencroft	Sherwood Forest Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

## **MINUTES**

The minutes of the last meeting held on 26 January 2015, having been circulated to all Members, were taken as read and were confirmed and signed by the Chair.

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# **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies for absence.

#### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

# NOTTINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY: RECOMMISSIONING TOBACCO CONTROL SERVICES

Lindsay Price, senior Public Health manager, presented a report which informed members regarding the consultation for re-commissioning Tobacco Control Services across Nottinghamshire. The new model would commission prevention services for young people, stop smoking services which would be both universal and targeted at key groups and smoke free services to reduce the harm caused to communities by tobacco use. Consultation events with the public, current service users and Clinical Commissioning Groups had been held and had received a generally positive response.

During discussion the following points were raised:

- Tobacco Control Services would be evidence based and would look to create new models of delivery and ways of working.
- Work with other services e.g. addiction, would continue and training would be provided to signpost to other lifestyle services
- The service would be universal throughout the County but there would be targeting of particular groups rather than geographical areas.

#### **QUALITY ACCOUNTS – CONSIDERATION OF PRIORITIES**

Lisa Dinsdale, Deputy Director of Nursing, Sherwood Forest Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust presented a briefing on the Quality Account priorities for Sherwood Forest Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust. The report considered progress against the priorities set for 2014-15 and the Trust's priorities for 2015-16.

The report had been circulated to Members prior to the meeting and during discussion the following points were raised:

- The Trust had worked hard to reduce the number of hospital acquired pressure ulcers which included additional resources in tissue viability, revised risk assessments and documentation and training and development to encourage better awareness and appropriate interventions at an early point.
- There had been no avoidable grade 3 pressure ulcers since April 2014 and no grade 4 pressure ulcers for two years. The Trust would now concentrate efforts on eliminating grade 2 ulcers.
- Work on falls reduction had shown some good improvements but was not at target. This would be a focus for 2015-16.

- It was acknowledged that further work was needed to satisfy safeguarding requirements particularly around compliance of staff attending training.
- The target for C Difficile would not be met and work was ongoing to understand the reasons why. The Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCG) had facilitated a community wide task and finish group to identify solutions.
- It was disappointing that Dr Foster had been unable to supply data regarding hospital standardised mortality rates (HSMR) but assurance was given that there had been no lapses in care or avoidable deaths.
- Assurance was also given that Patient Experience would still be a focus for the Trust even though it would not be a Quality Account priority for 2015-16.
- Sepsis would be a Commissioning for Quality and Innovation scheme (CQUiN) target for 2015-16 and that a specialist nurse had been appointed to help drive the management of sepsis.
- There were no reported medicines related 'never events' during quarter 3. It
  was confirmed that never events were formally reported to the local CCG and
  Trust executives for investigation. A strategy was being developed around
  organisational learning to focus on changing behaviours and attitudes and to
  share learning.
- The Chair requested that Health Scrutiny Committee be added to the list of those to be notified of never events.
- Assurance was given that up to date safeguarding training was mandatory for all staff.

The Chair thanked Ms Dinsdale for her briefing.

#### CARE FOR PEOPLE AT THE END OF LIFE

Simon Parkes, Head of Engagement and Service Improvement at Newark and Sherwood CCG presented a briefing on Care for people at the end of life. Improving end of life care was a priority for both CCGs in mid Nottinghamshire so that people would be able to choose their preferred place of care and place to die and would receive timely and coordinated care.

The report had been circulated to Members prior to the meeting and during discussion the following points were raised:

- Electronic Palliative Care Coordination System (EPaCCS) is a secure system
  which was developed to facilitate the sharing of care plans between GPs.
  Integrated Care Teams and other community based services for example
  ambulance service, emergency services so that patients wishes were
  supported.
- Hospitals have moved away from the Liverpool Care Pathway and the End of Life strategy reflected individualised, planned, coordinated care close to home

which was delivered sustainably by a network of local, trusted providers.

- End of Life care will be the focus of a CQUiN scheme next year.
- Fourteen Newark & Sherwood practices had commenced a year-long programme of Gold Standards Framework (GSF) 'Going for Gold' accreditation.
- Community capacity needed to be expanded as provision was too fragmented and small providers were often unable to meet demand. Work was ongoing to share expertise.
- Assurance was given that work was being done to remedy the 'requires improvement' ratings published in the July 2014 CQC inspection report and that progress was monitored through CQC assessment.

The Chair thanked Mr Parkes for his briefing and requested that annual updates be brought to the committee.

# KINGS MILL HOSPITAL CAR PARKING CHARGES

Ben Widdowson, Head of Estates and Facilities and Peter Wozencroft, Director of Strategic Planning and Commercial Development, Sherwood Forest Hospitals Foundation Trust gave a briefing on car parking charges at Kings Mill Hospital.

During discussion the following points were raised:

- The Trust worked within the guidance published by the Department for Health 'NHS patient, visitor and staff car parking principles' 2014.
- Charging for car parking was necessary to ensure that the cost of providing the facility did not impact on resources needed by the Trust to provide high quality patient care.
- The Trust was sympathetic to patient/visitor's individual circumstances and
  offered reduced charges for those who were frequent visitors as well as free
  parking concessions to particular groups, for example end of life pathway
  patients, carers and relatives.
- The Committee expressed concern that information about car park concessions was not publicised sufficiently either within the hospital or to patients. Mr Wozencroft agreed to review how accessible information on car parking charges and concessions was and report back.
- The Trust had made concessionary payments of £35,000 through the Healthcare Travel Costs scheme during 2013-14.

The Chair thanked Mr Widdowson and Mr Wozencroft for their briefing and requested that an update be brought to a future meeting.

#### **WORK PROGRAMME**

The work programme was discussed and the following items were noted:

- The Chair would approach Cllr J Bosnjak regarding the possibility of working collaboratively on the topic of health inequalities.
- Martin Gatley would try to arrange a visit to Bassetlaw Hospital.
- Tobacco Control be removed from May agenda.

The meeting closed at 3.40pm.

## **CHAIRMAN**

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