

MINUTES

**JOINT HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
7 February 2017 at 10.15am**

Nottinghamshire County Councillors

Councillor Parry Tsimbiridis (Chair)
Councillor Joyce Bosnjak
Councillor Kay Cutts MBE
Councillor Richard Butler
Councillor John Clarke
Councillor John Handley
Councillor Colleen Harwood
Councillor Jacky Williams

Nottingham City Councillors

Councillor A Peach (Vice-Chair)
Councillor M Bryan
A Councillor E Campbell
Councillor C Jones
Councillor G Klein
Councillor B Parbutt
A Councillor C Tansley
A Councillor M Watson

Officers

David Ebbage - Nottinghamshire County Council
Martin Gately - Nottinghamshire County Council
Jane Garrard - Nottingham City Council

Also in attendance

Officers

Dr Agnes Belenscak - Screening & Immunisation Lead
Hazel Buchanan - Director of Operations
Dr James Hopkinson - Clinical Lead
Sarah Mayfield - Screening & Immunisation Lead, Public Health England
Sam Walters - Chief Officer, Nottingham North & East CCG

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The minutes of the last meeting held on 10th January 2017, having been circulated to all Members, were taken as read and were confirmed and signed by the Chair.

APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillor Watson and Councillor Campbell.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Ginny Klein declared a private interest in Item 5 – Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trust Service Reviews as she uses a number of the services involved.

CHILDHOOD IMMUNISATION AND VACCINATION IN NOTTINGHAM & NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

Sarah Mayfield, Screening & Immunisation Lead, Public Health England updated the Committee on childhood immunisation and vaccination.

She highlighted the following points in her report:-

- 95.8% of children received a three dose course of DTaP/IPV/Hib, also known as 5-in-1 vaccine, by their 1st birthday in 2015-16. This is above the World Health Organisation (WHO) target of 95% and higher than the England average of 93.6% and East Midlands average of 95.6%.
- 89.7% of children received the first dose of Mumps, Measles and Rubella (MMR) vaccination by their 2nd birthday in 2015-16. This is below the World Health Organisation target of 95% and below the England average of 91.9% and the East Midlands average of 94.1%.
- A decrease in MMR 2 uptake has been observed for the past few years and is below WHO target. This is also the case for 5y DTaP/IPV/Hib% Booster (pre-school booster)
- MMR will be used by the Screening and Immunisation Team as an indicator of poor GP practice performance. Practices will be identified and targeted by their local CCG primary care managers to identify any issues that could be causing the poor uptake of MMR.
- Work with Nottingham City and Nottingham County Local Authorities has helped to increase awareness and promote uptake on the Childhood Flu Programme. Communication plans and links with children's services have helped to achieve this. Both Local authorities are members of the NHS England Flu Planning Group.
- The School Age Flu Programme data shows higher uptake rates for both City and County. Currently the data covers Year 1 and 2 age children. Next year the data will also cover Years 3 & 4.
- Nottinghamshire overall is performing very well in some of the routine vaccinations. The main concerns are with rotavirus, MMR and the pre-school booster. Work will commence with Local Authorities and CCGs to look in to practice level data for MMR2, as this will act as a good indicator of practice immunisation performance.

- Work continues with CCGs and Local Authorities promoting the offer of flu vaccinations to children. Once the final data is collated for flu vaccination uptake, the Screening and Immunisation Team can review the uptake and start to plan for next year's programme, learning from this year's programme.

Overall the service is doing really well, at a stable level and there has been an increase with the numbers at intake level. The service requires a significant amount of stakeholder engagement.

The Chair thanked Sarah Mayfield for her attendance at the meeting.

NOTTINGHAM UNIVERSITY HOSPITALS NHS TRUST SERVICE REVIEWS

Hazel Buchanan, Director of Operations and representatives from CCGs briefed Members on the review of services and service changes at Nottingham University Hospitals (NUH) being undertaken by Nottingham North and East Clinical Commissioning Group.

During the report, the following points emerged:

- Over 30 services were reviewed, 5 were seen to have no changes, 16 were decided to stay with NUH and 8 services were under consideration to either partially or fully be provided within the community.
- The 8 services to potential change were: Chronic Fatigue Syndrome, Back Pain and Pain Management, Renal Home Visiting, Motor Neurone Disease, Geriatric Day Care/Medicine, Neuro Assessment/Brain Injury, Dietetics, and Orthoptics.
- Many engagement activities were carried out including local surveys, focus groups with users and carers, one to one meetings with service users and carers.
- Where the proposal has been to move the service into the community, details of the proposed changes was included on Nottinghamshire CCG web sites and were available for people to comment on.
- Where services are staying with NUH, CCGs are working closely with the relevant clinicians, managers and service users on plans for 2017/18.
- For those services that may be going to procurement, it was expected this process will start in February and to be finalised following the review of engagement feedback.
- Nottingham City CCG are going out to tender for the MCP contract which will commence on 1st April 2018. Services decommissioned from NUH will be directly awarded to existing community providers on a short term basis to enable the CCG to align timescales.
- CCGs will develop plans with NUH and the new providers, where relevant on exit strategies to ensure that, existing and new patients continue to access services as per their patient journey and appropriate handovers are managed with clinicians.

During discussion and answering questions, the following points were raised:

- Members were concerned with the lack of information that came with the meeting papers, half a page for each service was not enough to decide whether they could class these changes as substantial.
- Concerns were raised with the length of time it has taken for the Nottingham North and East CCG to come to the Committee to inform members about these service changes, as the formal engagement was last August. This was down to looking at all services on a one by one basis. All services which have been reviewed are very different, the main priority is that the service provider may change into a different location, but the standard of care and support will remain the same.
- Some of the services are already being delivered in the community, the CCG are trying to mirror that across the County with other services and across other CCG's.
- The overall number of patients who potentially could be affected within the 8 services could be quite low as most patients may already receive community care.
- There is no definitive figure to how many people have been engaged with. They have reached out in many different ways which has brought in great feedback but the CCG's have had to reach out for people to engage with them.
- Members agreed that a smaller meeting would be arranged to go the process for bringing substantial variations to the committee. Further details on the proposed changes would be brought to the March meeting for Members to decide whether the service changes or decommissioning represents a substantial variation of service.

RESOLVED

That Members agreed for another meeting to be arranged and for the report to be brought back to the March committee.

WORK PROGRAMME

Members noted the Work Programme

The meeting closed at 11.50am.

Chairman