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Richard Butler  
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Yvonne Woodhead

**SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS**

None.

**Officers**

Martin Gately  
Noel McMenamin

Nottinghamshire County Council  
Nottinghamshire County Council

**Also in attendance**

Dr Aamer Ali  
Ajanta Biswas  
Philip Britt  
Lucy Dadge  
Lewis Etoria  
Sarah Fleming  
Katie Moore

Nottingham University Hospitals Trust  
Healthwatch Nottingham & Nottinghamshire  
Nottingham University Hospitals Trust  
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**1. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 15 DECEMBER 2020**

The minutes of the meetings held on 15 December 2020, having been circulated to all Members, were taken as read and were signed by the Chair.

**2. APOLOGIES**

None.

### **3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

### **4. DEMENTIA STRATEGY UPDATE – NOTTINGHAM UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL**

NUH representatives Dr Aamer Ali, Consultant in Health Care for Older People and Katie Moore, Head of Patient and Public Involvement, introduced the report, which provided an update on the progress of the 2019-2022 Delivering Excellence in Dementia Care Strategy.

The report highlighted the work of the Dementia Steering Group in helping guide, monitor and implement the Strategy. While resources had been diverted to address priorities associated with the Covid 19 pandemic, significant progress had been made in delivering training, environmental dementia audits and electronic dementia assessment. Further progress was required in respect of research, as well as on system-wide changes around information sharing.

During discussion, a number of issues were raised and points made:

- The Committee welcomed the NUH commitment to advancing its Dementia Strategy at a time of conflicting priorities and pressures, and especially welcomed the fact that dementia awareness training was mandatory for all staff;
- NUH representatives were not aware of specific issues in primary care around the issue of repeat prescriptions and blister pack for dementia patients, but undertook to raise the issue through Integrated Care channels. It was also pointed out that the new Primary Care Networks had in-house pharmacy provision;
- Assistive technology was prompting those providing health care to those over the age of 65 to conduct initial screening for dementia, which could, in turn, lead to more detailed assessment;
- It was explained that work was ongoing in respect of developing a standardised About Me document, which would assist in providing consistency of care for dementia patients in physical environments unfamiliar to them. It was also reported that NUH had received strong support locally for its Strategy from the Dementia Alliance;
- It was acknowledged that the role of voluntary support in hospitals had had to be curtailed during the pandemic, but that Tier 1 basic awareness training would be delivered to them when appropriate;
- The point was made that GP practices were also delivering a large number of dementia assessments.

The Chair thanked Dr Ali and Ms Moore for their attendance and contribution to discussions, and requested a further update in January 2022.

## 5. TOMORROW'S NUH

Sarah Fleming, Head of Programme Delivery, introduced a report of the Nottingham and Nottinghamshire CCG, updating the Committee on the CCG's plans for reshaping Health Services in Nottinghamshire through the Tomorrow's NUH programme of work. The programme looked to draw upon funding available under the national Health Infrastructure Programme 2 (HIP 2) initiative.

The Committee had previously been advised that a pre-consultation business case was being developed with a view to conducting a full public consultation in the summer of 2021. A range of pre-consultation engagement activity had already been conducted, including a virtual events programme, online survey, a stakeholder reference group overseen by Healthwatch Nottingham and Nottinghamshire and outreach work with specific patient cohorts.

Work was currently ongoing to develop a range of options on which to consult, at which point additional detail would be available. Though feedback was broadly positive, there had been some criticism of the lack of specific detail at the pre-consultation engagement stage.

Ms Fleming, assisted by Ms Dadge, Mr Etoria and the Tomorrow's NUH Programme Director Mr Britt addressed a number of issues raised and points made during discussion:

- Committee members welcomed the initiative, and were reassured that significant demographic changes, such as the expansion of housing stock at Hucknall, were informing future long-term planning;
- While the funding available under HIP 2 initiative was for hospital building infrastructure, it was imperative that appropriate long-term service configuration and delivery was addressed and accommodated when overhauling the hospital estate;
- Several members commented on the relatively low levels of response to the pre-consultation engagement process, but acknowledged that engagement would be easier when there were more concrete proposals available for consideration. It was also confirmed that complaints raised at the pre-consultation stage were being followed up;
- It was confirmed that plans for full and ongoing engagement with NUH staff were in place;
- It was confirmed that population health data was being examined at the mini-Super Output Area level to determine future health care need;
- The view was expressed that it was desirable to separate out elective and emergency provision to ensure consistency of service delivery.

The Chair thanked Ms Dadge, Mr Britt, Ms Fleming and Mr Etoria, for their attendance and contributions to the discussion, and agreed to schedule a further update on the initiative at the appropriate point in the cycle.

## **6. WORK PROGRAMME**

During discussion, several potential topics for future scrutiny were highlighted, it being noted that these were likely to be subject to approval under the new administration post-May 2021. The areas identified were:

- Mental health provision via CAMHS;
- Pressures arising from increased diabetes and pre-diabetes;
- Patient Transport Service

Subject to these amendments, the Committee work programme was approved.

The meeting closed at 12:40pm.

**CHAIRMAN**