

Health and Wellbeing Board

21st August 2013

Present:

Councillors Taylor (in the Chair), Clapham, Riding and Rowson

Mr D Bonson and Mr R Fisher, Blackpool CCG

Dr A Rajpura, Assistant Chief Executive, Public Health, Blackpool Council
Mrs D Curtis, Assistant Chief Executive, Adult Services, Blackpool Council

Norma Rodgers and Joan Rose, Healthwatch Blackpool

Richard Bayley, Lancashire Constabulary

Jane Higgs, NHS England

Also present:

Mr N Jack, Chief Executive, Blackpool Council
Mrs C McKeogh, Deputy Chief Executive- Human Resources, Engagement and Communications, Blackpool Council
Mrs N Stubbins, Head of Adult Safeguarding and Wellbeing, Blackpool Council
Ms L Donkin, Public Health, Blackpool Council
Ms T Lloyd-Moore, Health and Wellbeing Project Officer, Blackpool Council
Mr L Beattie, Executive and Regulatory Manager, Blackpool Council

Apologies:

Dr Leanne Rudnick, GP Member, Blackpool CCG
Amanda Doyle, Chief Clinical Officer, Blackpool CCG
Heather Tierney-Moore, Lancashire Care NHS Foundation Trust
Mr Ian Johnson, Blackpool Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
Richard Debicki, Lancashire Constabulary
Mr R Emmess, Blackpool Wyre and Fylde Council for Voluntary Services
Gary Doherty, Blackpool Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
Mrs S Harrison, Assistant Chief Executive- Children's Services, Blackpool Council

1. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 17th July 2013

The Board agreed the minutes of the meeting held on the 17th July 2013 as a true and correct record.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest on this occasion.

3. HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD DEVELOPMENT

The Board received an update presentation from Ms T Lloyd-Moore, Health and Wellbeing Project Officer on the ongoing development initiatives of the Board and its partners. It considered key areas outlined in the Communications and Involvement plan to proactively raise the profile of the Board and the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy and the previously agreed involvement of the Board in the Local Government Association's Peer Challenge.

Resolved:

1. To note the development update.
2. To agree that the inaugural event scheduled for Thursday 12th September 2013 be moved to Wednesday 16th October 2013.
3. To note that Blackpool Council (working through the Health and Wellbeing Board) has been selected to take part in the LGA Peer Challenge.
4. To note the Health and Wellbeing Board Away day would be rescheduled.
5. To note that a mapping exercise was currently being undertaken to map the existing strategies within health and wellbeing and how they would relate to the Board's strategic objectives.

4. HEALTHWATCH PRESENTATION

The Board received a presentation from Christine McKenzie-Townsend and Angela Winter, both Board members of Healthwatch Blackpool. The presentation explained the creation of Healthwatch Blackpool as a company limited by guarantee, going live from April 2013, with the clear objective of being an independent consumer champion for health and social care.

The presentation outlined the key links between Healthwatch Blackpool, the Local Authority and Health and Wellbeing Board. The presenters highlighted the Healthwatch Board's key aims and objectives to:

- Provide accurate information and signposting to services and support to enable access to Health and Social Care;
- Provide information and support to help hard to reach groups, so that they are heard and are able to influence Social Care and Health services;
- Ensure that all member organisations of Healthwatch have policies and procedures which have equality and diversity embedded in them;
- To signpost people if they need help to complain about NHS / Social Care services.

Also highlighted was the launch event to take place on the 20th September 2013 and potential future areas of work.

Members of Board asked questions about how the Board would interact with NHS England and how the Board would contact "hard to reach" groups.

Resolved:

To note the presentation on Healthwatch Blackpool.

5. BLACKPOOL ADULT SAFEGUARDING BOARD ANNUAL REPORT

The Board considered the Blackpool Adult Safeguarding Board annual report. The Board noted that as a key responsibility to monitor the work of the Blackpool Adult Safeguarding Board and its future actions.

Resolved:

To note the annual report and to agree to receive future updates.

6. TAKING STOCK- THE JOINT HEALTH AND WELLBEING STRATEGY NORTH-WEST REGIONAL REVIEW

The Board considered the regional review of Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategies.

Resolved:

To note the review undertaken by North West Employers on the current position and key considerations for Health and Wellbeing Board.

7. CHILD DEATH OVERVIEW PANEL- PAN-LANCASHIRE SUICIDE THEMATIC REVIEW

The Board considered the Pan-Lancashire Suicide Thematic Review which was undertaken on behalf of the Child Death Overview Panel. The Panel noted that while the deaths identified were not in Blackpool, the issues were relevant to Blackpool and suggested that partners work to address these concerns. There were also significant issues with self-harm in Blackpool.

Resolved:

To note the Pan-Lancashire Suicide Thematic Review be noted.

8. BRIEFING NOTE: INTRODUCTION OF DENTAL MILK FOR BLACKPOOL PRIMARY SCHOOLS

The Board considered a briefing note regarding the proposal for the introduction of dental milk to primary schools in Blackpool,

The Board noted that it had received significant information from groups opposed to the introduction of fluoridated milk.

Dr Rajpura highlighted that there was a large amount of evidence supporting the view that fluoridated milk would help address Blackpool's poorer than average dental health problems by reducing the incidence of dental decay.

He also highlighted that sodium fluoride had been approved for this usage by the European Union and that there was no evidence that fluoridated milk delivered in this way would lead to fluorosis as it delivered a precise amount per child.

It was also emphasized that parents would have the freedom to choose non-flouridated milk and that the scheme would be delivered through the Council's existing free milk and breakfast programme.

It was also noted that the final decision would be for the Council's Executive when it reviewed the contract for the delivery of milk and that many suppliers could provide fluoridated milk at no additional charge.

Resolved:

1. To note the research evidence supporting the use of dental milk.
2. To support the introduction of dental milk in Blackpool through the existing distribution networks.

9. DATE OF FUTURE MEETINGS

The Board agreed the dates of the next meetings as follows:

Wednesday 18th September 2013
Wednesday 16th October 2013
Wednesday 20th November 2013
Wednesday 18th December 2013

The Chairman closed the meeting at 4.45pm