

SHADOW STATUTORY HEALTH AND WELL BEING BOARD

24th JULY 2012 at 5.30pm

Present: Councillor Hazel Simmons (Leader of the Council)
Councillor Mahmood Hussain (Portfolio Holder - Adult Social Care)
Councillor Waheed Akbar (Portfolio Holder – Children’s Services)
Pam Garraway (Director of Housing & Community Living)
Martin Pratt (Director of Children and Learning)
Gerry Taylor (Director of Public Health)
Dr Baz Barhey (Representative of Luton Clinical Commissioning Group)
Neville White (Representative of Luton LINK)

In Attendance: Bren McGowan – Partnership Manager (LBC)
Morag Stewart – Deputy Director of Public Health
Rod While – Head of Commissioning Strategy and Implementation, Luton Clinical Commissioning Group
Glynis Allen – Head of Luton Drug and Alcohol Partnership Luton Drug and Alcohol Partnership
Angela Fraser– Democracy and Scrutiny Officer (Clerk) (LBC)
Councillor Aslam Khan – Chair – Scrutiny Health and Social Care Review Group (HSCRG)

DEVELOPMENT SESSION: COMMISSIONING (WORKSHOP)

Members undertook a development session on how the Health and Wellbeing Board fits into the commissioning cycle.

16. INTRODUCTIONS AND APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Linda Hennigan, Chair of Community Safety Executive and Felicity Cox, Representative of NHS Luton.

17. NOTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING – 14th June 2012 (ITEM: 2)

Resolved: The notes of the meeting of the Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board held on 14th June 2012 be agreed.

18. LUTON DRUG AND ALCOHOL STRATEGY (ITEM: 4)

Glynis Allen presented the report (Ref: 4) and advised alcohol was a key strategic priority for the Health and Wellbeing Board identified in the JNSA. The Government published its alcohol strategy In March 2012 which endorsed a multi faceted approach to tackle harms caused by alcohol including cheap alcohol and the importance of local partnership work.

The Strategy is a three year programme with three interrelated aims:

- To support adults to reduce the harms caused by excessive alcohol use
- To prevent young people from being harmed by alcohol misuse
- To ensure Luton is a vibrant and safe town for residents and visitors

Martin Pratt enquired about the validity of the figures relating to some 60% of children and young people live in families where religious or cultural principles discourage the use of alcohol or drugs quote in the report which he regarded as a conflicted statement that did not represent the true extent of the problem in Luton.

Resolved: (i) That Glynis Allen check the figures relating to preventing young people from being harmed by alcohol use quoted in the report and amend the paragraph accordingly.

(ii) That the report (Item 4) be noted and an annual review on the outcomes of the strategy be submitted to the Health and Wellbeing Board.

19. HEALTHWATCH (ITEM: 5)

Pam Garraway gave an update to the Board on the activities that support the developments of the local Healthwatch. She advised that a series of focus groups had been arranged which took place between 12 and 20th July which were based around meeting with specific constituencies:

- Voluntary and community sector
- Local authority and NHS
- Current LINK members
- Children and Young People
- Elected members

The next stage would be to pull together the views and issues from the workshops which will act to shape the work for Healthwatch such as tackling engagement of Healthwatch which is a new organisation which needs to be body corporate. Other models of Healthwatch had been looked at and have identified five areas coupled with work with Health to be commissioned by the Local Authority. The intention is to bring back the final work to Council in September to advise on options for procurement stage for Healthwatch.

Resolved: That a report on the Healthwatch model for Luton be submitted to the next meeting of the Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board.

20. CLINICAL COMMISSIONING GROUP AUTHORISATION (ITEM: 6)

Rod While reported that the CCG were in wave 3 with a submission in October. Stakeholders are to be sent questionnaires and a formal letter will be sent to request consent. An information pack will also be sent out with the questionnaire.

Resolved: That the report (Item 7) be noted.

21. WORK PROGRAMME (ITEM: 7)

Gerry Taylor circulated a list of priorities for the Board which had strategic links and requested additional suggestions be sent to Bren.

Resolved: That the work programme be circulated when completed.

(Note: Meeting ended at 6.50 pm)