

# ITEM 4

Time commenced – 6.02 pm

Time finished – 8.25 pm

## ADULTS AND HEALTH SCRUTINY REVIEW BOARD

### 6 FEBRUARY 2018

Present: Councillor J Khan (Chair)  
Councillors Webb, Froggatt, Potter and Turner

#### 15/17 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllr Eldret

#### 16/17 Late Items

There were no late items.

#### 17/17 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest

#### 18/17 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Minutes from the meeting of 10 October 2017 were agreed as a correct record.

#### 19/17 Update on Burton Hospitals and Derby Teaching Hospitals merger

The Board received a report of the Chief Executive asking them to receive and consider a Powerpoint presentation on the merger between Burton and Derby Hospitals. Gavin Boyle, Chief Executive at the hospital trust attended the meeting in order to update the Board and answer any questions they had.

Gavin Boyle informed the Board that talks to merge Burton Hospitals and Derby Teaching Hospitals started in March 2016 and an outline Business case was approved by both Trusts independently in June 17. GB confirmed that both Trusts had been kept fully informed throughout the whole process.

The Board were informed that the three key benefits of the merger, along with better patient care at reduced costs, were:

- To sustain general hospital services in Burton

- To be able to improve specialist services in Derby. The population of Derby is not high enough to develop specialist services, but with Burton's population included it secures the development of these specialist services.
- To be able to develop community hospitals in Derby, Litchfield and Tamworth.

It was confirmed that this new organisation would commence on 1 April 2018 with a five year plan to fully integrate the hospitals and services. The preferred name for this large organisation was University Hospitals of Derby and Burton

Concerns were raised over the IT services between Derby and Burton and how patients' records cannot be accessed by the other Trust when patients are referred there due to different IT systems being used. GB confirmed that a lot of work had been done at both sites and the same system will be used for reading scans and x-rays from 1 April 2018. This will continue to improve as the merger progresses.

**The Board resolved:**

- 1. To note the presentation**
- 2. To invite representative of the University Hospitals of Derby and Burton to receive a further update.**

## 20/17 Independent Sector Home Care

The Board received a report of the Strategic Director of People asking them to receive and consider a Powerpoint presentation giving them an update about home care, which involves supporting people to live at home longer and keep them out of long term care provided in care homes and nursing homes. Officers attended the meeting to give the presentation and answer any questions the Board had.

Discussion was held around the Home Care Framework and the providers of care packages that Derby City Council can deliver support to help the care provider improve the quality of their service.. It was acknowledged that by having fewer providers they get to understand both the area and the customers better. If any problems arise Derby City Council can deliver training to the care provider. It was acknowledged that it would be a lot more expensive to bring this service back in-house and that Derby City Council did not have the resources to provide this service either. The Board were informed that the care providers were closely monitored and services frequently reviewed.

**The Board resolved:**

- 1. To note the presentation**
- 2. To invite an officer to a future Board meeting to give further update.**

## 21/17 Dementia Friendly Council Update

The Board received a report of the Strategic Director of People asking them to receive and consider a presentation from a Dementia Friend Champion to update them on the Dementia Friends initiative and its role in supporting Derby's Dementia Friendly status and the Council's strategic approach to dementia.

The Dementia Friend Champion briefed the board on what it is like living with Dementia and how we can help sufferers in their day to day living.

**The Board resolved:**

- 1. To note the presentation**
- 2. To become Dementia Friends and promote this initiative**
- 3. To recommend all Derby City councillors undertake the Dementia Friend training as part of their mandatory training.**

## **22/17      The Future of Carers Services**

The Board considered a report of the Strategic Director of People giving them details of the Care Act 2014 and how this sets out Carers' legal rights to assessment and support from the Local Authority. Discussion was held over how the Southern Derbyshire CCG and Derby City Council jointly commissioned Derbyshire Carers Association to deliver the statutory duty to provide Carers assessments, information and advice whilst also providing training and short breaks for carers. It was confirmed that both contracts will come to an end in August and that review and consultation was underway with carers over alternative arrangements for statutory carers' assessments.

Discussions were held over the results of the consultation received so far and how these were being reviewed and monitored. The final results and proposals from the consultation were not available but the Board were informed that they would be brought back to the Board at a future meeting. It was agreed that the carer services was a very valuable service, with the need to continue supporting carers, but the whole process did need to be streamlined. It was confirmed that neither Derby City Council nor the NHS had additional resources to provide carers but were maintaining existing funding and this would be fed back to the CCG Commissioning Board in March. Discussion was also held over the need to increase the number of Social Workers employed, should the proposal for them to undertake carer assessments be agreed.

It was noted that carers did feel that being able to attend 'Talking Points' was valued and important to them and the Board questioned whether these were held locally, by ward and whether Local Area Co-ordinators were involved. It was confirmed that these were just held in libraries or GP surgeries and more details on these would be brought back to a future meeting if required.

**The Board resolved:**

- 1. To note the presentation**
- 2. To receive details of the Carers' Services at a future meeting**
- 3. To receive a presentation on 'Talking Points' at a future meeting**

## **23/17 Healthwatch Derby Annual Overview 2017**

The Board received a report of the Strategic Director of People asking them to receive and consider a presentation from Healthwatch Derby detailing the work they have undertaken over the last 12 months along with the emerging trends and outcomes.

It was confirmed that GP access continued to be a major concern along with the delays experienced by patients during hospital discharge. The Board felt a meeting should be arranged between themselves, Healthwatch and the CCG to discuss the on going problems with GP access and how the GP contracts need to be modified. The Healthwatch representative was to feed the matter of GP contracts being modified to the Healthwatch Board.

**The Board resolved:**

- 1. To note the presentation**
- 2. A joint meeting, between the Scrutiny Board and Healthwatch, to be arranged with the CCG to discuss the access to GP surgery issue.**
- 3. To receive a future update from Healthwatch at a future meeting**

## **24/17 Work Programme and Topic Review**

The Board received a report of the Chief Executive. The Board were asked to discuss and agree the future work programme and topic review for the forthcoming municipal year. The Members discussed several topics and agreed to add additional topics to the work programme.

**Resolved to:**

- 1) Note the presentation**
- 2) Agree the draft work programme**

**MINUTES END**