



At a meeting of the Joint Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee (JHOSC) held on Friday, 21 June 2019 at 2:00 pm at the Rooms 6:06 & 6:07 - 6th Floor, Hounslow House, 7 Bath Road, Hounslow, TW3 3EB.

Present:

Councillors Mel Collins (Chair)

Councillors Daniel Crawford, Lorraine Dean, Robert J Freeman, Lucy Richardson and Ketan Sheth

1. Welcome and Introductions

14.05 - meeting commenced

The immediate past-Chair of JHOSC opened the meeting and welcomed Members, Officers, invited guests and also members of the public who were observing proceedings.

2. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair

The Democratic Services Officer from the London Borough of Hounslow (LBH) conducted the elections for the JHOSC Chair. Cllr Melvin Collins from LBH was nominated, seconded and elected.

Cllr Collins accepted the position of Chair and thanked the Officer for dealing with the election process. The Chair then invited nominations for Vice-Chair of JHOSC Cllr Crawford was nominated seconded and elected. Cllr Crawford confirmed that he would be happy to accept.

RESOLVED: Cllr Collins elected Chair of JHOSC and Cllr Crawford elected Vice-Chair of JHOSC for the new year 2019-20.

3. Apologies for Absence

The Chair noted that apologies had been received from Cllrs Rekha Shah and Vina Mithani from the London Borough of Harrow, and from Cllr Monica Saunders from the London Borough of Richmond.

The Chair noted that the London Borough of Richmond would remain as Co-Optee for the new year and that Cllr Saunders would be the representative.

Additionally, the Chair noted that the London Borough of Hillingdon were invited again to attend this meeting as observers, or as new members, but no response was received.

4. Declarations of Interest

Cllr Ketan Sheth from the London Borough of Brent declared that he was the Lead Governor at Central and North West London (CNWL) National Health Service (NHS) Foundation Trust.

Cllr Dean also declared that she is a governor at CNWL.

Cllr Robert Freeman from the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea declared that he is a member of the Royal Marsden Hospital Trust Membership Council.

5. Minutes of the meeting held on 12 March 2019

The Chair went through the minutes.

The Chair noted a matter arising on the Health Based Places of Safety and asked for further information on what would be done in the absence of the proposed reform.

Mark Easton (Accountable Officer of North West London Collaboration of Clinical Commissioning Groups) said a proposal will be made in the next couple of months and undertook to inform the JHOSC in writing.

RESOLVED: The minutes of the previous meeting, held on 12 March 2019, be approved as an accurate record.

6. Annual Report NWL JHOSC

This item was introduced by the Chair and presented by the officer that prepared the report. The JHOSC met at the end of the last year to review the year and sought feedback from the NWL Collaboration of CCGs. The report summarises the work of the last year.

RESOLVED: The annual report of the NWL JHOSC was noted.

7. Case for a single CCG and Borough arrangements and development of integrated care

Members received a presentation on this topic from Mark Easton, Dr MC Madhukar Patel (Chair of Brent CCG) and Rory Hegarty (Director of Communications and Engagement NWL Collaboration of CCGs).

Mark Easton introduced the national approach to developing integrated care systems as set out in the NHS Long term Plan. He noted the case for change to form a single CCG for NWL and that similar work is being done across London with South East London in a more advanced stage. All Sustainability and Transformation Partnership (STP) areas must transition to an integrated care system by April 2021.

Dr Patel outlined how integrated care partnerships (ICPs) are already working in Brent to ensure integrated care to residents. Integrated care and the single CCG model aims to reduce health inequalities across NWL in areas such as school readiness, life expectancy, and cardio vascular disease.

Mark Easton noted there is no requirement for a consultation around these changes as they do not constitute a significant change to health services or a substantive variation. The Case for Change document is aimed at enabling the best possible engagement on the transition. While this transition must happen, there are opportunities to consider the timeframes and how to organise CCGs and ICPs across NWL. Whether these changes take place or not is not negotiable as they are set out in the NHS Long Term plan.

Members raised questions around the timelines for decision making and implementation and the engagement with local Healthwatch teams, local authorities and the existing eight CCGs. Members raised concerns about information provided, the timelines and the engagement processes. They also raised questions on the financial arrangement of a joint CCG and how this will impact services and staff.

Mark Easton reiterated it is a change to the CCG structures rather than services in order to reduce costs, improve quality and address inequalities. The Case for Change is a starting point for discussions and raises questions for stakeholder consideration. It is meant to be an iterative process to ensure partner engagement. Feedback and comments will assist in developing the case. More information will be available in the next couple of weeks following further workshops with stakeholders. He noted that it would be possible to extend the 24 July 2019 deadline for comments, however, NHS England requires a response by September 2019.

RESOLVED: The Case for Change presentation was noted. Members agreed to send Mark Easton further questions and agreed to hold an additional meeting of the JHOSC to consider this issue

16.01 – NWL Collaboration of CCG Officers left the meeting.

8. Work Planning Programme

RESOLVED: The Work Planning Programme was noted.

9. Any Other Business

The Chair thanked Cllr Dean for serving as Vice-Chair in the last year, and welcomed Cllr Crawford to the role for the new year.

Cllr Freeman noted that he is still trying to arrange a meeting with NHS England around the changes to respiratory and cardiac services in NWL.

10. Date of the next meeting

An additional meeting will be arranged before the next scheduled meeting takes place on 18 September 2019 in Hammersmith, at a venue to be confirmed.

The meeting finished at 4:07 pm.

The minute taker at this meeting was Nicola Zoumidou