

## Minutes of the meeting of the Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on 1 July 2010

### Present:

**County Councillors:** Councillor Martyn Ashford  
“ Sarah Boad  
“ Jeffrey Clarke  
“ Bernard Kirton  
“ Frank McCarney  
“ Kate Rolfe (replacing Councillor David Johnston for this meeting)  
“ Dave Shilton (Chair)  
“ Angela Warner (Vice Chair)  
“ Claire Watson  
“ Chris Williams

### District/Borough

**Councillors:** Sally Bragg  
Michael Kinson OBE

**Other County Councillors:** Councillor Richard Chattaway

**Officers:** Ross Caws, Commissioning Development Manager  
Will Johnston, Joint Commissioning Manager  
Ann Mawdsley, Principal Committee Administrator  
Kate Nash, Head of Community Safety and Localities  
Jon Reading, Strategic Commissioning Service Manager  
Paul Williams, Scrutiny Officer

**Also Present:** Ann Anthony, UHCW  
Nigel Barton, CWPT  
Jenny Cole, UHCW  
Jeff Cotterill, GP, Central Surgery, Rugby  
David Gee, Warwickshire LINK  
Carl Holland, UHCW  
Wendy Lane, NHS Warwickshire  
John Linnane, NHS Warwickshire  
Paul Maubach, NHS Warwickshire  
Carolyn Parker, NHS Warwickshire  
Rachel Pearce, NHS Warwickshire  
Brian Stoten, NHS Warwickshire  
Sarah Warmington, CWPT

## 1. General

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### (1) Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors David Johnston (replaced by Councillor Kate Rolfe for this meeting), Gillian Roache, John Ross, Bob Stevens and Sid Tooth.

The Chair asked that a letter of condolence be sent to Councillor Sid Tooth from the Committee.

**(2) Members' Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests**

Councillor Angela Warner declared a prejudicial interest in Item 10 due to her involvement in commissioning services as a GP.

**(3) Minutes of the Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 9 June 2010**

The minutes of the meeting of the Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on 9 June 2010 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

**Matters Arising**

**Page 7. – 7. Winter Deaths and Fuel Poverty – Implementation of Recommendations**

Councillor Claire Watson stated that she had been asked to prepare a briefing note on the summit held on 24 June. It was agreed that the O&S Board be asked to determine which Committee should receive the note.

**Page 7 – 9. Any Other Items**

Councillor Bernard Kirton made reference to the ongoing issue of the lack of appropriate places of safety available over weekends. Nigel Barton noted that the Partnership Trust was working closely with NHS Coventry to ensure the legal requirement to have a place of safety by 1 April 2011 was met. He agreed to provide a copy of the PFI Contract to Councillors and to keep Members informed of developments.

**Page 7 – 9. Any Other Items**

Paul Maubach reported that NHS Oxfordshire was still looking for a contribution from Warwickshire NHS, and negotiations were ongoing. Members requested a report on the details, once they are agreed.

**(4) Chair's Announcements**

The Chair noted that this would be the last meeting of the Health O&S in its current form and thanked the Committee and officers for their support over the past year.

The Chair congratulated the Committee for the mention in the Centre for Public Scrutiny LACORS publication of the Health and Air Quality Review.

**2. Public Question Time (Standing Order 34)**

None.

### **3. Questions to the Portfolio Holder**

As Councillor Bob Stevens had not been able to attend the meeting, Members were invited to forward any questions to the Portfolio Holder directly to Councillor Stevens.

### **4. Review of A&E Services at Rugby St Cross Hospital**

The Committee received a presentation from NHS Warwickshire on the review of the provision of A&E services at Rugby St Cross Hospital

Following a discussion of the presentation, the following issues were raised:

1. Ann Anthony undertook to provide to Councillor Bernard Kirton the percentage of “after hours” admissions that were alcohol related.
2. It was agreed that the consultation needed to:
  - set out clearly the two options being put forward
  - include a risk analysis
  - include reasons why other options had not been included
  - take into account previous comments made by the Committee in relation to consultation documents.
3. The new call centre would signpost Rugby residents to the right place and Members agreed that it would be useful for the new Committee to receive a presentation on the new call centre.
4. The start and finish dates of the consultation would be agreed at the next NHS Board meeting.

The Chair thanked the speakers for their presentation, requested that the full details of the proposals be brought to the new Committee for consideration and that another visit be arranged for Members to visit UHCW A&E Department.

### **5. Heathcote House, Leamington Spa**

The Committee received a presentation on the review of provision of Adult Learning Disability inpatient & home treatment services, including proposals for service moves from Heathcote House in Leamington Spa.

During the ensuing discussion the following points were raised:

1. The numbers of patients involved was small, with seven patients admitted to Heathcote House in the last year.
2. The proposals were part of a clear strategy around providing support and care for people with learning disabilities.
3. Consultation needed to be directed at the relevant stakeholders and public meetings needed to be properly advertised.
4. Members were invited to visit Heathcote House and Gosford Ward at The Caludon Centre and those interested were asked to forward their names to Paul Williams.

The Committee agreed, by unanimous vote, that Option 4 – Close Heathcote House and reprovide the service from Gosford Ward, The Caludon Centre – was the preferred option to take services forward.

**6. Proposed Health OSC response to NHS Warwickshire’s consultation regarding older people’s mental health services in Rugby**

The Committee considered the report of the Strategic Director for Customers, Workforce and Governance outlining the Hawthorn Task and Finish Group’s proposed response to NHS Warwickshire’s consultation regarding older people’s mental health services in Rugby.

Members expressed concern about the process of care and the future of inpatient care.

Taking into account concerns expressed by the Committee, the Health OSC agreed to the response proposed by the Hawthorn Task and Finish Group to be submitted to NHS Warwickshire for consideration.

**7. Forward Plan Items Relevant to the Work of this Committee**

The Committee agreed that the current Health work programme should be updated to include:

- Banbury Obstetric Services
- Paediatric Services
- Long term redirection of acute beds (outlined in Brian Stoten’s presentation to full Council)
- Places of Safety
- Rugby A&E Services
- CAMHS.

The updated work programme should be sent to the O&S Board to ensure the new Adult Services and Health OSC continued to focus on these issues.

**8. Any Other Items**

None.

**9. Reports Containing Confidential or Exempt Information**

Resolved that members of the public be excluded from the meeting for the item mentioned below on the grounds that their presence would involve the disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

**10. Commissioning for Recovery: Modernising Drug and Alcohol Treatment Services in Warwickshire**

The Committee considered the report of the Strategic Director of Customers, Workforce and Governance outlining plans to re-commission an integrated, re-focused drug and alcohol treatment system for Warwickshire residents.

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Chair

The Committee rose at 12.55 p.m.