

**AGENDA MANAGEMENT SHEET**

**Name of Committee**                      **Adult and Community Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

**Date of Committee**                      **14<sup>th</sup> February 2007**

**Report Title**                                **Update on Coventry and Warwickshire NHS Partnership Trust**

**Summary**                                      Update report on the Partnership between Warwickshire County Council and Coventry City Council to deliver Adult Mental Health Services, Older People Mental Health Services, and specialist Learning Disabilities, with the Coventry and Warwickshire NHS Partnership Trust, which was established on 1 October 2006.

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**Would the recommended decision be contrary to the Budget and Policy Framework? [please identify relevant plan/budget provision]**                      No

**Background papers**                                      None

**CONSULTATION ALREADY UNDERTAKEN:-**                      Details to be specified

- Other Committees
- Local Member(s)
- Other Elected Members                       Councillor F McCarney, Councillor R Dodd, Councillor Mrs J Compton, Councillor M Stanley, Councillor R Randev
- Lead Cabinet Member                       Councillor C Hayfield
- Cabinet Member

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| Chief Executive          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Jim Graham, Chief Executive  |
| Legal                    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Jane Pollard, Alison Hallworth   |
| Finance                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Philip Lumley-Holmes, Financial Services Manager                         |
| Other Chief Officers     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Graeme Betts, Strategic Director of Adult, Health and Community Services |
| District Councils        | <input type="checkbox"/>            |  |
| Health Authority         | <input type="checkbox"/>            |  |
| Police                   | <input type="checkbox"/>            |  |
| Other Bodies/Individuals | <input type="checkbox"/>            |  |

**FINAL DECISION NO**

**SUGGESTED NEXT STEPS:**

Details to be specified

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| Further consideration by this Committee | <input type="checkbox"/>            |   |
| To Council                              | <input type="checkbox"/>            |   |
| To Cabinet                              | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 8 <sup>th</sup> March 2007 – Joint Commissioning Strategies |
| To an O & S Committee                   | <input type="checkbox"/>            |   |
| To an Area Committee                    | <input type="checkbox"/>            |   |
| Further Consultation                    | <input type="checkbox"/>            |   |

## Adult and Community Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee – 14<sup>th</sup> February 2007

### Update on Coventry and Warwickshire NHS Partnership Trust

#### Report of the Strategic Director of Adult, Health & Community Services

#### Recommendations

That the Committee considers and comments on the progress made to date and the proposed future actions.

#### 1. Background

- 1.1 As agreed with WCC and Coventry City Council, a Partnership Trust to deliver Adult Mental Health Services, Older People Mental Health Services, and specialist Learning Disabilities and CAMHS Services, was established on 1 October 2006. This Trust will incorporate services currently provided by North Warwickshire PCT and South Warwickshire PCT, for the people of those PCT areas, plus those commissioned by Rugby PCT and provided by North Warwickshire PCT, as well as those provided by Coventry PCT.

#### 2. Updates

- 2.1 After 3 months consultation, the Secretary of State for Health approved the commencement of the Trust, to bring together services across Coventry and Warwickshire for :
- Adult Mental Health
  - Older People's Mental Health
  - Specialist NHS learning disabilities services
  - Coventry community learning disabilities services (for an initial period)
  - Coventry Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services
- 2.2 The Establishment Order was signed, with the promise of a Partnership Agreement from each Local Authority, and the Trust came into being on 1 October 2006.
- 2.3 The NHS Appointments Commission announced that the Chair will be Mr Karamjit Singh, previously a non-executive director of the Coventry Health Authority and a member of the Audit Committee, and a Governor at the University of Coventry. He was also an independent member of the West Midlands Police Authority.

- 2.4 With the appointment of Sandy Taylor as Chief Executive on a long-term interim basis, and Colin Merker as Director of Adult Mental Health Services, discussions have recommenced about the social care leadership arrangements in Warwickshire for the new Trust. However, the Trust has yet to appoint to the post of Director of Disability Services and Specialist Services. This includes responsibility for Mental Health Services for older people.
- 2.5 The partnership agreement will be completed, approved by the Cabinet and signed when clarification has been received about whether this should be by way of a formal section 31 agreement and when Human Resources processes have been finalised; and discussions on social care governance arrangements with the new Trust have been concluded.
- 2.6 The Council has agreed with the PCT that joint commissioning arrangements for mental health and learning disability are a high priority for both organisations. Work is underway to establish Joint Commissioning Strategies for mental health and learning disability services and it is intended that these will be presented to Cabinet in March.

### **3. Adult Mental Health Performance Review**

- 3.1 Further to the updates above, Members may also wish to note that the recent HCC/CSCI performance review of Warwickshire's Adult Mental Health Service has confirmed again solid performance by every external measure. The specific results are South Warwickshire receiving a 4 out of a possible 4 (excellent); and North Warwickshire and Rugby receiving a 3 out of a possible 4 (good). Items outstanding to move to excellent are increased Supporting People Grant Provision for Adult Mental Health and 24-hour helplines.

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