Warwickshire Shadow Health & Wellbeing Board

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Warwickshire Information Sharing Charter

Recommendations

- 1. Agree to the principles and commitments in the current Warwickshire Information Sharing Charter.
- 2. Corporate Information Manager is tasked to review the 2008 Charter with partner organisations and it is then taken forward to the relevant Board/partner organisations for revised signatories.

1.0 Key Issues

- 1.1 The Warwickshire Information Sharing Charter and the associated framework underpins the secure and confidential sharing of information between organisations involved in delivering public services in Warwickshire, in accordance with national and local policy and legislative requirements. The Charter is also intended to inform members of the community why information about them may need to be shared and how this sharing will be managed.
- 1.2 The framework still requires purpose-specific data sharing protocols and agency-specific agreements to be in place and a register of these should be maintained and published.
- 1.3 The Charter was agreed by the Public Service Board in 2008 by a wide range of organisations. The PSB is no longer in existence and other organisations have changed or are changing.
- 1.4 The Charter does not cover all purposes for which data is shared across the multi-agency partnerships in Warwickshire, specifically the general health and wellbeing programmes and Public Health.
- 1.5 With the transition of NHS Warwickshire from April 2013, Arden Cluster and the three CCGs in Warwickshire require separate signup.
- 1.6 The NHS Trusts providing services in Warwickshire are not included. The Priority Families programme also has a wider partnership and the organisations need to be included.



2.0 Options and Proposal

- 2.1 Review and update the current 2008 Warwickshire Charter with partner organisations to update: a) the general purposes to include the wider health and wellbeing areas; (b) ensure compliance with the Information Commissioner's Data Sharing statutory code of practice, and is then taken forward to the relevant Board/partner organisations for revised signatories.
- 2.2 Establish information governance contacts in partner organisations in the medium-term to coordinate the framework.

3.0 Timescales associated with the decision/Next steps

3.1 Agreement to take forward.

Background Papers

None

Supporting Papers

- 1. Warwickshire Information Sharing Charter (2008) available at <u>http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/sharinginformation</u>
- 2. Information Commissioner's Data Sharing Code of Practice available at http://www.ico.gov.uk/for_organisations/data_protection/topic_guides/d ata_sharing.aspx

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