

HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

Thursday, 16 March 2023

PRESENT – Councillor K Nicholson (Cabinet Member with Health and Housing Portfolio) (Chair), Councillor Clarke (Children and Young People Portfolio) (Cabinet Member with Children and Young People Portfolio), Councillor Dulston (Leader of the Council), Councillor Harker, Councillor Tostevin (Cabinet Member with Adults Portfolio), Penny Spring (Director of Public Health), Martin Short (Director of Place - North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board) (North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board), Alison MacNaughton-Jones (Joint Clinical Director) (Darlington Primary Care Network), Dean Lythgoe (Principal, St Aidan's Academy) (Secondary School Representative), Michelle Thompson (Chief Executive Officer) (Healthwatch Darlington), Jill Foggin (Communications Manager, County Durham and Darlington Foundation Trust) and James Graham (General Manager - Durham and Tees Valley Community CAMHS) (Tees, Esk and Wear Valley NHS Foundation Trust)

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE – Victoria Cooling (Public Health Registrar), Joanne Littler (Head of SEND and Inclusion) and Hannah Miller (Democratic Officer)

APOLOGIES – James Stroyan (Group Director of People), David Gallagher (Executive Director of Place-Based Delivery - Central and Tees Valley) (North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board), Brent Kilmurray (Chief Executive) (Tees, Esk and Wear Valley NHS Foundation Trust), Sue Jacques (Chief Executive) (County Durham and Darlington Foundation Trust), Joanne Dobson (NHSE/I Locality Director for North East and North Cumbria) (NHS England, Area Team) and Carole Todd (Darlington Post Sixteen Representative) (Darlington Post Sixteen Representative)

HWBB18 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

There were no declarations of interest reported at the meeting.

HWBB19 TO HEAR RELEVANT REPRESENTATION (FROM MEMBERS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC) ON ITEMS ON THIS HEALTH AND WELL BEING BOARD AGENDA.

No representations were made by Members or members of the public in attendance at the meeting.

HWBB20 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THIS BOARD HELD ON 15 DECEMBER 2022

Submitted – The Minutes (previously circulated) of the meeting of this Health and Well Being Board held on 15 December 2022.

RESOLVED – That the Minutes be approved as a correct record.

REASON – They represent an accurate record of the meeting.

HWBB21 DARLINGTON SAFEGUARDING PARTNERSHIP ANNUAL REPORT - 2021/2022

RESOLVED – That the DSP Annual Report for 2021/22 be deferred to the next meeting of the Health and Wellbeing Board.

REASON – Safeguarding is a responsibility that runs through a number of Strategic Boards/Partnerships and there are often areas of common interest. The DSP annual report will provide the HWBB with an understanding of the Partnerships achievements over the previous year, highlighting some of those areas of common interest.

HWBB22 SEND WRITTEN STATEMENT OF ACTION

The Assistant Director Education and Inclusion submitted a report (previously circulated) updating Members on the Ofsted/CQC inspection on the provision of Special Educational Needs (SEND) support in Darlington and the subsequent development of a Written Statement of Action (WSOA).

The submitted report stated that the local area of Darlington was inspected by Ofsted and CQC between January 2022 and 1 February 2022; the inspection assessed how well Darlington Borough Council, Schools, Academy Trusts and all parts of the Health Service identified and met the needs of children and young people with SEND and the outcomes achieved; the Lead Inspector identified a number of strengths in the local area and the two areas of significant weakness identified across Darlington were outlined.

The Council, together with Health was required to produce a WSoA; this was created by the local area partnership, involving a number of co-production approaches; the SEND Assurance Executive would have strategic overview of the WSoA and the implementation of the agreed actions; the WSoA was approved as fit for purpose by Ofsted on 9 September 2022; and the delivery of the WSoA would be subject to quarterly monitoring by DfE/NHS England, and the first monitoring visit had taken place in January 2023 with positive feedback received.

Members were informed that Darlington would not be subject to a full reinspection on the WSoA and any future inspection would be under the new Area SEND Inspection Framework; reference was made to the criteria for the new framework; and that the next steps included the development of a dataset.

RESOLVED – That the written statement of action be noted.

REASON – The recommendation is supported as the Written Statement of Action is a statutory requirement of the SEND inspection framework.

HWBB23 JOINT FORWARD PLAN

The Director of Place (Darlington), North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board gave a presentation updating the Board on the Joint Forward Plan (JFP) and in doing so reminded Members of the structures within the Integrated Care System.

The presentation outlined the national requirements for the first five-year JFP which was being developed by Integrated Care Boards and partner NHS Foundation Trusts with system partners; reference was made to the JFP and how this fit with other strategies at a national, system and place level; the four goals of the Integrated Care Strategy, published in

December 2022, were outlined; and Members noted the three principles of the JFP.

Details were provided of the work undertaken locally to develop the Tees Valley places plan; the priorities and pillars were outlined and included hospital discharge and avoidance, sustainability, ageing well, mental health, prevention and inequalities and Healthy children – focus on the best start in life; and Members were informed of the role of the Health and Wellbeing Board in the development of the JFP. Members noted the next steps and associated deadlines.

Members sought assurance that the voice of the population of Darlington and the voluntary and Community sector were being captured; and discussion ensued regarding confusion around the work of the ICB and the need for clearer communication was highlighted.

RESOLVED – That the thanks of the Board be conveyed to the Director of Place (Darlington), North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board for his informative presentation.

REASON – To convey the views of the Board.

HWBB24 SUPPLEMENTARY ITEM(S) (IF ANY) WHICH IN THE OPINION OF THE CHAIR OF THIS BOARD ARE OF AN URGENT NATURE AND CAN BE DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING.

The Specialty Registrar in Public Health informed Members that a consultation request had been received regarding an application for a new online pharmacy and requested that any comments should be fed back to Public Health by the end of March as part of the consultation process; and the Leader of the Council raised concerns regarding Dental Services in Darlington and sought assurance in relation to the procurement process used by NHS England, requesting an update at a future meeting of the Board.

RESOLVED – That the updates be noted.

REASON – To inform the Board.