

HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

Thursday, 14 December 2023

PRESENT – Councillor Roche (Cabinet Member with Health and Housing Portfolio) (Chair), Councillor Holroyd, Councillor Tostevin, Councillor Wallis, Councillor Curry, Miriam Davidson (Interim 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), Jackie Andrews (Medical Director) (Harrogate and District NHS Foundation Trust), Dean Lythgoe (Principal, St Aidan's Academy) (Secondary School Representative), Carole Todd (Darlington Post Sixteen Representative) (Darlington Post Sixteen Representative), Jill Foggin (County Durham and Darlington Foundation Trust) and Michelle Thompson (Chief Executive Officer) (Healthwatch Darlington)

APOLOGIES –Councillor Dulston, Councillor Harker (Leader of the Council) (Leader of the Council), 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), Alison MacNaughton-Jones (Joint Clinical Director) (Darlington Primary Care Network), Sam Hirst (Primary Schools Representative), Rachel Morris (Head of Department for Nursing and Midwifery, School of Health and Life Sciences) (Teesside University) and Andrea Petty (Chief of Staff) (Durham Police and Crime Commissioner's Office)

HWBB9 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

There were no declarations of interest reported at the meeting.

HWBB10 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.

HWBB11 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THIS BOARD HELD ON 7 SEPTEMBER 2023

Submitted – The Minutes (previously circulated) of the meeting of this Health and Well Being Board held on 7 September 2023.

Slight amendments were requested from a member before approval.

RESOLVED – That the Minutes be amended and resubmitted for approval at the next meeting.

REASON – In order to represent an accurate record of the meeting.

HWBB12 DARLINGTON HEALTH AND WELLBEING PLAN

The interim Director of Public Health outlined the purpose and tasks involved in formulating the Darlington Health and Wellbeing Plan.

It was highlighted that an update to the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) is currently in progress for which a demonstration of the web-based JSNA will be presented to members at the March 14 2024 meeting.

The interim Director of Public Health went on to outline the purpose of the Health and Wellbeing Board members' workshop, arranged to take place 14 December 2023, which is to develop the framework and agree strategic objectives of the Darlington Health and Wellbeing Plan 2023-2027. Members were encouraged to work together in order to develop the plan with an emphasis on avoiding duplicating work already present in other workstreams and identifying any gaps in the plan that should be included moving forward.

RESOLVED – That the approach and points raised by the interim Director of Public Health be noted by the board.

REASON – Members in agreement of the above for the effective formulation of the Darlington Health and Wellbeing Plan.

HWBB13 DARLINGTON'S COMMITMENT TO CARERS 2023 -2028

Darlington's Commitment to Carers 2023-2028 was circulated to members electronically prior to this meeting with the request that comments and questions be provided to the authoring Commissioning Officer due to the presenting officers being unable to attend this meeting.

A member, who had also provided feedback to the author via email, voiced concerns that the document could be presented with a greater focus on young carers, making reference to "Action One" that was felt to be too general and "Action Six" where it was requested that the effectiveness of action days moving forward be specified more clearly. The member concluded that young people require tangible assistance and would like the report to reflect this where possible.

A further member highlighted an inaccuracy in the data requiring correction and also raised the question of what provision is available for cross-border carers i.e residents who care for individuals who do not live in their Local Authority. And a final comment that maximum earning limits could be perceived as being low and would like further information on this.

It was agreed that before board approval the report's author would be in contact with the above members in order to reflect their suggestions in a revised version of the report.

RESOLVED – That the document's author be in contact with relevant members to incorporate comments into a revised version of the report which will then be circulated electronically to members for consideration and approval.

REASON – In order to produce a final report that meets the measures of the board's members.

HWBB14 TERMS OF REFERENCE

The interim Director of Public Health presented the updated Terms of Reference for the board for approval.

RESOLVED – That the updated Terms of Reference are agreed.

REASON – Members agreed to the updated terms without contest.

HWBB15 SUPPLEMENTARY ITEMS

The Chair requested that Darlington Hospice be invited to attend future meetings of the board, this was agreed without contest. The board's clerk agreed to extend the necessary invitations.

The Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board made an expression of gratitude to the outgoing interim Director of Public Health, Miriam Davidson. The Chair commended Miriam on her professionalism, thanked her for her guidance and praised her as an outstanding example of a public servant of Darlington. The sentiments were mirrored by all members of the Health and Wellbeing Board.