

ADULT SOCIAL SERVICES REVIEW PANEL

Meeting held on Wednesday 11 November 2015 at 5.00pm in Room F10, The Town Hall, Katharine Street, Croydon, CR0 1NX

DRAFT MINUTES - PART A

Present: Councillors Pat Clouder, Yvette Hopley, Margaret Mead, Andrew Rendle and Louisa Woodley.

A37/15 Minutes of the Adult Social Services Panel held on 1 July 2015

RESOLVED subject to the typographical amendments being made that the Minutes of the meeting held on 1 July 2015 be signed as an accurate record of the Panel's last meeting.

A38/15 Disclosure of Interest

No disclosures of interest were made during the meeting.

A39/15 Urgent Business (if any)

There was no urgent business.

A40/15 Exempt Items

The Panel **RESOLVED** that the allocation of items between Part A and Part B of the agenda be confirmed, as printed.

A40/15 Adult Annual Safeguarding Report

The report of the Croydon Safeguarding Adults Board was circulated and introduced by Kay Murray, Head of Professional Standards. She advised that the report related to 2014/2015 and was not an operational report but a quality assurance and to hold partners to account. The report data on safeguarding activities and going forward it is hoped that data would be input from partners' organisations.

The Chair thanked Jane Lawson, the chair of the Board for her work

Following a question and answer session the Panel **RESOLVED** to note the report.

A41/15 Update on outcomes based commissioning, for over 65's

Brenda Scanlon, Director of Integrated Commissioning Unit and Adult Commissioning gave a verbal update and presentation. The three main challenges for Croydon are a growing and ageing population, increases in the number of people living with long-term conditions and the potential to improve performance in terms of care for people over 65. The key phases of the programme are to look at why

change is needed, design what the programme will look like with support from stakeholders and to start discussions with providers to explore future delivery.

Following a question and answer session the Panel **RESOLVED** to note the presentation.

A42/15 Update on Better Care Fund and Performance

Vanda Leary presented the report of the Associate Director of Transformation and Urgent Care, NHS Croydon Clinical Commissioning Group. She said the key point was that health services and local government to work together and integrated care would be the normal by 2018. The performance of the Better Care Fund (BCF) would be monitored by six indicators noted in section 5 of the report. A key next step would be to look at the BCF planning for the next year.

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Following a question and answer session the Panel **RESOLVED** to note

- 1.1 The progress made in implementing the Better Care Plan;
- 1.2 The mitigations on performance identified in Section 6.1 of the report.

A43/15 Care Act Update (including update on national appeals process)

Paul Heynes, Head of Care Act Implementation and advised that Phase One of the implementation was continuing but that phase Two had been delayed mainly due to the costs. He went on to say that the appeal system may not proceed due to the cost. On 17 July 2015 the Government announced a delay in the Care Act programme for items that were scheduled for implementation in April 2016. The elements that have been delayed are:

- the Cap on Care Costs (to April 2020);
- the extension to the Means Test Thresholds (to April 2020);
- the Appeals system (pending the Comprehensive Spending review which will be published on 25 November 2015, but confirmation that this will not occur from April 2016 has already been received).

The Chair thanked Paul for his hard work with the implementation of the Care Act in Croydon. Cllr Mead added her thanks.

Following a question and answer session the Panel **RESOLVED** to note the report.

A44/15 Update on LATC Review

Paul Greenhalgh, Executive Director People gave a verbal update on the LATC. He confirmed that the Council is a shareholder and that a governance review had been undertaken and had identified a number of issues, these included weakness in performance information, business and financial information.

Following a question and answer session the Panel **RESOLVED** to note the update.

A45/15 Work Programme

The work programme for the next two meetings was **NOTED** by the Panel.

A46/15 Camera Resolution

The Panel **REOLVED** under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

The remainder of the meeting included disclosure of exempt information (as defined by paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A in Part 1 of the Local Government Act 1972: 'Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)'). The minutes of the discussion are therefore also exempt and not available to the public. A summary of the discussion is below, as required by section 100C(2) of the Local Government Act 1972.

MINUTES - PART B

A47/15 Part B minutes of the Adult Social Services Review Panel meeting held on 1 July 2015.

The Panel **RESOLVED** that the Part B minutes of the meeting held on 1 July 2015 be signed as an accurate record.

A48/15 Update on LATC Review

The Panel considered further issues raised from the governance review and **RESOLVED** to note the update.

A49/15 Safeguarding Adults Services

The Panel considered a report that gave information regarding those care homes currently being monitored through the serious concern protocol and supported by the Care Support Team. A concern may be linked to a poor CQC report or due to a serious incident(s) occurring within the establishment.

RESOLVED that the Panel note the report.

A50/15 Adult Social Care Complaints

The Panel considered a report that gave information on the complaints procedures and examples where complaints had been upheld.

RESOLVED that the Panel note the report.

The meeting ended at 7:25 pm