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Dorset Health and Wellbeing Board

Minutes of the meeting held at Weymouth Fire Station, Radipole Lane,
Weymouth on Wednesday, 8 November 2017

Present:

Jill Haynes (Chairman)

Members Attending

Ben Ansell (Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service), Steve Butler (Elected Borough/District Councillor (East Dorset District Council)), Julie Fielding (Assistant Chief Constable), Margaret Guy (Healthwatch), Mike Harries (Corporate Director for Environment and Economy, Dorset County Council), Helen Horsley (Voluntary Sector), Nick Jarman (Interim Director for Children's Services), David Phillips (Director of Public Health, Dorset, Bournemouth and Poole), Matti Raudsepp (Strategic Director (Christchurch and East Dorset Councils) and Simone Yule (Locality Executive Teams).

Other Members Attending

Andrew Kerby, Elected Borough/District Councillor (North Dorset) (Reserve)
Rachel Partridge, Assistant Director of Public Health (Reserve)
Ron Shields, Local NHS Provider Trust (Reserve)
Timothy Yarker, Elected District/Borough Councillor (West Dorset) (Reserve)

Officers Attending:

Graham Duggan (Head of Community Protection), Kaye Elston (Dorset Safeguarding Children Board Business Manager), Jane Horne (Portfolio Director for Prevention at Scale), Kirsty Hillier (Senior Communications Officer (internal)), Sarah How (Dorset Housing Officer, Dorset Councils Partnership), Stuart Hunter (Chief Finance Officer, Dorset Clinical Commissioning Group) and Helen Whitby (Senior Democratic Services Officer).

(Notes: (1) These minutes have been prepared by officers as a record of the meeting and of any decisions reached. They are to be considered and confirmed at the next meeting of the Dorset Health and Wellbeing Board to be held on **Wednesday, 28 March 2018**.

(2) Board agendas and reports are available via
<https://www.dorsetforyou.com/countycommittees>)

Apologies for Absence

32 Apologies for absence were received from Ben Chennell, Helen Coombes, Tim Goodson, David Haines, Rebecca Kirk, Rebecca Knox, Patricia Miller, Debbie Simpson and Forbes Watson.

Code of Conduct

33 There were no declarations by members of disclosable pecuniary interests under the Code of Conduct.

Minutes

34 The minutes of the meeting held on 13 September 2017 were confirmed and signed subject to Helen Horsley's name being added to the apologies.

Public Participation

Public Speaking

35 There were no public questions received at the meeting in accordance with Standing Order 21(1).

There were no public statements received at the meeting in accordance with Standing Order 21(2).

Petitions

There were no petitions received at the meeting in accordance with the County Council's Petition Scheme.

Homelessness Reduction Act 2017 and the Duty to Refer by Public Bodies

36 The Board considered a report on the Homeless Reduction Act 2017 which would be implemented in April 2018.

The Board received an explanation of implications of the Act for Duty to Refer agencies (public bodies) and how it aimed to ensure that effective advice and support was provided to all eligible households at an early stage in order to avoid homelessness crisis. Under the new legislation public bodies (not yet specified) had the duty to refer anyone threatened with homelessness or who were homeless and Local Authorities needed to put protocols in place to enable them to work with other agencies to help these people. Funding had been provided and consideration was being given to future staffing levels and working arrangements.

In response to questions it was explained that funding was not ring-fenced and had been obtained until 2020; and that action for councils to approve any necessary changes were proceeding for the Act's implementation in April 2018. It was noted that a big advertising campaign was planned by the Government to inform the public of the changes.

Resolved

That the update on the Homeless Reduction Act 2017 be noted and the ongoing work on its implementation be supported within the Board back in their respective organisations and communities.

Update on Sustainability and Transformation Plan (STP), with a Focus on Prevention at Scale (PAS)

37 The Board considered a report by the Portfolio Director for Prevention at Scale which provided an update on headline progress across the Sustainability and Transformation Plan (STP) as a whole, progress following discussion at the September 2017 Board meeting and a brief overview of the Ageing Well work stream as a background to the thematic discussion on 8 November 2017.

Members were reminded that Dorset had been selected as one of the areas for the introduction of the Accountable Care System from April 2018. They also noted that the Chairman had attended a recent conference where considerable interest had been shown by other authorities in the Board's work and its involvement with communities.

In discussion the following items were raised:-

- the need for better liaison between members' organisations communications teams in order to reduce duplication and provide greater consistency
- the need for organisations to identify key staff and for them to communicate with each other
- the need for work in localities to be reviewed and best practice shared
- the need for better links to be made with voluntary agencies to avoid duplication of work being undertaken and to share data held
- the potential for better IT connectivity across organisations

Members were interested to hear further about the working of the locality health and

wellbeing boards which were being set up across the eleven localities in Dorset. These would liaise with community partners and GP practices and report back to the main Health and Wellbeing Boards.

Members also noted progress with regard to the setting up of a Mid Dorset Locality Group.

Resolved

That the update on STP highlights and progress on prevention at scale be noted and the ongoing work within the Board and back in their respective organisations and communities be supported.

Dorset Safeguarding Children Board Business Plan 2017/20 and Annual Report 2016/17

38 The Board considered a report by the Independent Chair of the Dorset Safeguarding Children Board on its Business Plan for 2017/20 and its Annual Report for 2016/17.

Members noted the Board's structure and how it linked to other organisations and boards, and that lessons learned from serious case reviews were shared with other organisations. As information in the report was historic, they were given a more up-to-date picture of what was happening in Dorset.

Discussion included how the Board worked with the Dorset Adult Safeguarding Board in relation to parents with mental health problems, the difference the introduction of Family Partnership Zones was beginning to make, available training for the voluntary sector and the potential for on line training in future, the need for information regarding child deaths and serious injuries to be shared with other agencies so that activities and preventative work could be co-ordinated, and the need for a concerted effort to reduce the numbers of looked after children and children subject to child protection plans as these were higher than neighbouring authorities.

The newly appointed Interim Director for Children's Services, Dorset County Council, whilst recognising the importance of keeping children safe, stated that the number of looked after children and children subject to child protection plans was too high in Dorset. He explained that social worker caseloads needed to be reduced so that they could work with families where children were on the edge of care or were subject to a child protection plan otherwise there would be financial consequences for the authority. Dorset's Family Partnership Zones had been in place for approximately a year and, in his experience, it would take approximately 15 months for the impact of their intervention work to be seen

Noted.

Forward Work Plan

39 The Board considered a report by the Director of Public Health, Bournemouth, Dorset and Poole, that updated members on the current Forward Plan for Board meetings and events.

Members asked that meeting dates for 2018 along with venues be provided and that the Forward Plan projected items further ahead than the next meeting.

Resolved

That items on Family Partnership Zones and the Melcombe Regis Regeneration Board be added to the agenda for a future meeting.

Meeting Duration: 2.00 pm - 3.00 pm

The formal part of the meeting was followed by a thematic session on the Prevention at Scale workstream - Ageing Well.

Objectives of the session were to:

- Increase Health & Wellbeing Board Members' awareness of the developing Prevention at Scale programme and implications for Dorset.
- Focus on the Ageing Well workstream. It gave the opportunity to showcase challenges, evidence and case studies where delivering approaches at scale could most make an impact.
- To allow Board Members and system leaders to identify where they could most usefully add value to the proposals, particularly joint working with partners.

There were breakout discussions around four stations highlighting examples of approaches already being deployed locally, and the potential for prevention at scale with time for questions and answers. The four stations were:

Diabetes	Jane Horne, Public Health Dorset j.horne@dorsetcc.gov.uk Gary Alessio, NHS Dorset CCG gary.alessio@dorsetccg.nhs.uk Paul Lewis, Dorset County Hospital paul.lewis@dchft.nhs.uk
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Going Digital in Older Age	Amy-Jane White, Dorset County Council a.j.white@dorsetcc.gov.uk Morag Tyler, Dorset County Council m.e.tyler@dorsetcc.gov.uk

Following the breakout discussions, Board Members and system leaders reconvened to review the breakout discussions and consider the role of the Board and how it can support local delivery and scale impact across the system. The key points from the discussions were:

- All four stations were examples of doing things differently. Members agreed that to increase prevention at scale further innovative working was required.
- Praise for the work of champions and volunteers. It was noted that there were a number of people willing to volunteer in Dorset and thought was required on what would interest people to volunteer, training requirements and support network.
- To try and engage with as many age groups as possible through services.
- Organisations needed to have Health and Wellbeing within their service plans. Members suggested that each organisation highlight these areas within their plans and share with others at a future meeting so that cross-working could be identified. The Chief Fire Officer offered to present the fire services service plan.
- Members reflected on the good work taking place regarding assistive technology and thought that it would be useful to share this information with housing officers and primary care staff.

A full report of the session and actions arising will be presented in the report to the next Dorset Health and Wellbeing Board on 28 March 2018.