

Minutes of the meeting of the HEALTH and CARE PARTNERSHIP held on WEDNESDAY 12 OCTOBER at 2.00 pm

Present: Councillors Marland (Chair), R Bradburn, E Darlington and D Hopkins, M Bracey (Chief Executive, Milton Keynes City Council), V Collins (Director - Adult Services, Milton Keynes City Council), M Heath (Director – Children's Services, Milton Keynes City Council), Dr R Makarem (Chair of BLMK ICB) (Vice-Chair), F Cox (Chief Executive, BLMK ICB), J Hannon (Diggory Divisional Director of Operations, CNWL NHS Foundation Trust), J Harrison (Chief Executive, Milton Keynes University Hospital NHS Foundation Trust), V Head (Director of Public Health, Milton Keynes City Council), Dr N Alam (Representative of Primary Care Networks), C Bell (Deputy Chief Fire Officer, Bucks Fire and Rescue Service), M Taffetani (Chief Executive, Healthwatch Milton Keynes), Supt M Tarbit (LPA Commander, Thames Valley Police), P Wilkinson (Chief Executive, Willen Hospice), J Held (Independent Scrutineer, MK Together)

Officers: M Carr (Deputy Director Public Health, Milton Keynes City Council), D Stout (Development Director, Milton Keynes Health & Care Partnership) and A Clayton (Overview and Scrutiny Officer), Milton Keynes City Council

Observers: R Green (Head of MK Improvement Action Team, BLMK ICB), M Wogan (Chief of System Assurance and Corporate Services, BLMK ICB)

Apologies: None

HCP08 MINUTES AND ACTIONS ARISING

The Partnership considered the Minutes of the Health and Care Partnership's meeting held on 1 June 2022 and noted that all actions from the meeting had been completed or were in the process of being completed, with those outstanding being recorded on the Forward Plan.

RESOLVED -

1. That the Minutes of the meeting of the Health and Care Partnership held on 1 June 2022 be approved and signed by the Chair as a correct record.
2. The actions arising from the previous meeting held on 1 June 2022 were noted. All other actions were completed or in the process of being completed and noted accordingly on the Forward Plan.

HCP09 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

None.

HCP10 JOINT STRATEGIC NEEDS ASSESSMENT (JSNA)

The Partnership received two reports; a) a progress update on the JSNA and b) Milton Keynes Place Profile 2022.

The Director of Public Health presented the report and drew the Partnership's attention to several key points of progress this year:

- Musculoskeletal Health Needs Assessments had been completed, undertaken collaboratively by the MKCC Public Health Intelligence Team and the ICB. This would drive commissioning going forward.
- Work on the Children and Young People Inequalities and Vulnerabilities chapter of the JSNA is underway, with completion planned by December 2022.
- The chapter on Long Term Conditions and Ageing Well was being scoped.
- The Place Profile for Milton Keynes had been developed.

The Partnership heard that the objective was to make the data for the ICB region available on a web based platform, with place-specific dashboards providing key demographic, socio-economic and health indicators. Efficiencies would be achieved through the adoption of the same platform across all councils in the region. Over time it was anticipated that the data would provide an increasingly granular view, allowing for more efficient deployment of public health resources. Disparities in health outcomes amongst different socio-economic groups within the City were made manifest by the data and provided opportunities for appropriate intervention.

The Partnership welcomed the progress made thus far and discussed ways in which the data could be deployed to improve health outcomes. Working collaboratively across the region provided for both a better overview and opportunities for pooling and thereby reducing resources. It was recognised that the JSNA formed the evidential basis on which future commissioning decisions would be made by the ICB in consultation with MKCC, and that, resources being finite, priority should be given to public health initiatives with a strong evidential basis that optimised positive health outcomes for the residents of Milton Keynes.

RESOLVED -

That the reports be noted.

HCP11

FEEDBACK FROM THE BLMK INTEGRATED CARE PARTNERSHIP (ICP)

The Partnership received an oral report from the Chief Executive, BLMK ICB, who identified the following salient points:

- The Integrated Care Partnership for BLMK had now met twice and the focus of discussions to date had been the strategy for the living well priority for children. The ICP was required to formulate clear priorities, whilst taking into account the views and opinions of diverse groups including childcare professionals and members of the general public. The ICP was required by Government to produce the strategy by Christmas this year.
- Whilst the strategy timetable involved working to a deadline, it was more important for the ICP to consider matters in the round in order to arrive at a longer term view.
- The ICP would be meeting next in November 2022.

RESOLVED -

That the oral report be noted.

HCP12

UPDATE ON THE PROGRESS OF THE MK DEAL

The Partnership received an update report on the progress of the MK Deal. The Report was presented by the Chief Executive of Milton Keynes City Council, who provided some background information:

Underneath the Partnership a Joint Leadership Team (JLT) had been formed, comprising representatives from CNWL NHSFT, PCN and MKCC. The JLT met fortnightly to consider in detail how the improvement priorities for Milton Keynes, as decided by the Partnership, might best be met through the working relationship with the BLMK ICB and to bring this together under the MK Deal. The MK Deal is the formal agreement between the Partnership and the BLMK ICB that sets out the arrangements and responsibilities that will operate between the parties to deliver these improvement priorities.

The MK Deal had been agreed with the ICB on 30 September 2022 and an officer had been appointed by BLMK ICB to lead a team on the implementation of the deal in Milton Keynes. One of the key priorities of the implementation was to simplify arrangements and to strengthen the focus on evidence-based solutions, i.e. to focus on key initiatives that were proven to be working well and to cease those initiatives for which the evidence was not strong.

Overall, matters were progressing well. The relationships between the various partners were operating efficiently and the team was

now ready to move forward and put the agreement and plans into action.

The Partnership considered the report and made the following observations:

- That prevention is better than cure, i.e. that the solutions to advancing some of the priorities lay in early interventions, better health education, and the development of strong collaboration with all parties involved in the process, including the voluntary sector, pharmacies and statutory bodies.
- That regarding the hospital discharge policy the plans under consideration would not significantly impact the problems being experienced during this winter season, but the intention was to make improvements in time to alleviate problems during the next.
- That the integrated approach to healthcare offered the potential to improve outcomes across the City. It was hoped that the collaboration required to achieve the four priority areas set this year would strengthen the partnership across the sectors and help build a strong foundation for working together in the future.

RESOLVED –

1. That the MK Deal, as set out in the report, was agreed and a letter sent to the ICB confirming this.
2. That the work on hospital discharge and obesity should start first with a report back to the Partnership at its next meeting on 22 February 2023.
3. That development work on the other two priorities should continue, with a view that the Partnership will agree when these will start at its next meeting on 22 February 2023.
4. That where additional approvals were required to meet the objectives in the MK Deal that these be agreed and actioned by the JLT in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Partnership.

HCP13

MILTON KEYNES BETTER CARE FUND (BCF) PLAN SEPT 2022

The Partnership received a report from the Director of Adult Services, who explained that the statutory return was completed and submitted recently and that this report comprised the narrative part of that return.

That the approach and focus of the plan this year was essentially a repetition of the previous year's plan and that no significant changes

had been proposed. The overall spend under the plan was circa. £26 million and had been agreed by all parties, including a range of performance indicators to provide for measurement of success and accountability.

The Partnership considered the report and made the following observations:

- There was a considerable focus on initiatives pertaining to hospital discharge, one of the priorities of the MK Deal. For example, the BCF included funding for a social care team based in the hospital. The use of the BCF provided a model in many ways for the future operation of the MK Deal, involving cooperation between many providers of healthcare in the City.
- That the BCF provided for many services that had become core, essential services. As it was not a fixed fund, but additional monies that were agreed on an annual basis, the Partnership expressed concern about the reliability of these funds in the future, particularly in the context of possible cutbacks in public sector funding.

RESOLVED -

That the report be noted.

HCP14 INFORMATION ITEM – UPDATE FROM SAFEGUARDING PARTNERSHIP

RESOLVED –

That the report be noted.

HCP15 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was noted that the next meeting of the Health and Care Partnership would be held on Wednesday 22 February 2023 at 2.00 pm.

THE CHAIR CLOSED THE MEETING AT 3.22 PM