

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

THURSDAY 22 SEPTEMBER 2022 (4:30)

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Members Present:

In Person:

Dr Stephanie Coughlin (Clinical Lead, City and Hackney Clinical) (In the Chair)
Dr Sandra Husbands (Director of Public Health, City and Hackney)
Councillor Fajana-Thomas (Cabinet Member for Community Safety)
Annie Gammon (Director of Education - Hackney Council)
Councillor Christopher Kennedy (Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care)
Councillor Carole Williams (Cabinet Member for Employment and Human Resources and Equalities)

Virtually:

Nina Griffiths (Director of Delivery - City and Hackney's Place Based Partnership)
Frances Haste (Hackney Community Voluntary Sector, Hackney)
Susan Masters (Hackney Community Voluntary Sector, Hackney)
Rosemary Jawarra (Hackney Community Voluntary Sector)
Helen Woodland (Group Director, Adults, Health and Integration - Hackney Council)

Officers in Attendance:

Matthew Carrington (Strategic Delivery Manager, Hackney Council)
Peter Gray (Governance Officer - Hackney Council)
Rickardo Hyatt (Group Director, Climate, Homes and Economy - Hackney Council)
Donna Doherty-Kelly (Principal Public Health Specialist - Hackney Council)
Diana Divajevo (Principal Public Health Analyst - Hackney Council)
Sam Parry (Parks Development Manager - Hackney Council)
Jayne Taylor (Public Health Consultant - Hackney Council)

Also in Attendance:

Juliette Brown (Psychiatrist - East London Foundation Trust)
Catherine Pelley (Chief Nurse and Director of Governance - Homerton Hospital)
Rebecca Walters (Deputy Programme Manager - North East London ICB)
Steve Collins (Program Manager - North East London ICB)
Lorraine Sunduza (Chief Nurse and Deputy Chief Executive a East London Foundation Trust)

1 Appointment of Dr Stephanie Coughlin as Co-Chair

RESOLVED:

That Dr Stephanie Coughlin be appointed as Co-Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board.

2 Apologies for Absence

- 2.1 Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Jacquie Burke, Councillor Anntoinette Bramble, Paul Calaminus, Mayor Philip Glanville, Stephen Haynes, Laura Sharpe and Raj Radia.

3 Declarations of Interest - Members to Declare as Appropriate

- 2.1 There were no declarations of interest.

4 Draft Minutes of the Informal Meeting on 16 June 2022

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the informal meeting of the Board on 8 June 2022 be agreed as a correct record.

5 Appointment of New Members to the Board

RESOLVD:

That the following be appointed as members of the Board:

- Louise Ashley, Chief Executive at the Homerton Foundation Trust (From 1 October 2022)
- Paul Calaminus, Chief Executive of East London Foundation Trust
- Nina Griffiths, Director of Delivery, City and Hackney

6 Action Tracker

- 5.1 The Principal Public Health Strategist introduced the report.

RESOLVED:

To note the contents of the tracker.

7 Questions from the Public

- 7.1 The Chair announced that Whilst there were no questions listed as part of the Board papers, there have been some concerns raised about where other questions had then been signposted to from the HWB whether that was to Cabinet or to NEL ICS. She clarified that a re-review of the questions that had been submitted previously would be carried out with a prompt follow up within 5 working days and a full follow up within 10 to 15 workings day. Any errors in terms of where questions had been submitted to would be identified and corrected."

8 Climate action and health: opportunities for Collaboration

8.1 The Public Health Consultant presented to the Board, highlighting the following:

- Drivers of population health;
- Defining climate change;
- Impacts of the climate crises on population health;
- Impact of climate related risks on healthcare facilities;
- Climate change and mental health;
- Main cause of disabilities and disease;
- Climate Justice;
- Social vulnerabilities to climate change;
- Climate action and health co-benefits;
- Climate change mitigation and adaptation;
- Health co-benefits of climate change and climate change mitigation:
- Health and climate – co benefits;
- Health co-benefits of climate change adaptation;
- Individual risk factors for poor health and premature death;
- Climate change and mental health;

Key Questions:

- Do our existing green/climate action plans explicitly, and adequately, address the health (equity) risks of the climate crisis?
- Are there any potential unintended, negative consequences of our plans for population health? What mitigating measures can we put in place to avoid/minimise these?
- Where are the greatest opportunities for collaboration to maximise the collective impact of our climate action to protect and improve population health (and reduce health inequities) in Hackney?
- Do we have a comprehensive understanding of the current/future population health
- impacts of the climate crisis in Hackney, and the potential health co-benefits of local climate action? Do we currently have the data/tools/skills to effectively measure these?

8.2 The Strategic Delivery Manager presented on the Climate Action Plan (CAP), highlighting the following:

- Purpose of the climate action plan;
- Control of omissions;
- Key terms in the draft CAP;
- Climate action plan themes;
- Future suggested engagement approach;
- Key stages of draft CAP timeline.

Reflections from local NHS/ Green Plans leads

8.3 Rebecca Walters highlighted the following feedback from NEL:

- Good opportunity for partners to collaborate on climate change;
- Work was ongoing on building the social movement and educating people that climate crisis is a healthcare crisis, with GPs currently being trained;
- Health issues are already arising from the climate crisis;
- The borough of Hackney was ranked 8th in England for highest numbers of deaths relating to air pollution
- Adaptation planning would be an opportunity for collaboration;
- Hospital Emergency teams wished to bring partners together to reflect on the approach to heat waves;
- Climate dashboards were to be produced which will assist in looking at neighbourhoods care needs.

8.4 Juliette Brown highlighted the following feedback from East London Foundation Trust (ELFT):

- The importance of collaborative working on climate change;
- East London Foundation Trust had published its Green plan earlier in the year;
- The impact of climate change existed in the present with food bills and fuel bills interlinked;
- ELFT was looking at engaging with staff on climate change and how healthcare could be delivered in a more sustainable way, with consideration given to how energy and buildings are used;
- Consideration was being given to how to help the population both practically and psychologically, supporting people to make plans in the event of a heat wave.

8.5 Catherine Pelley highlighted the following feedback from Homerton Hospital:

- The Homerton was building on its commitment to be Net Zero;
- Practical steps were being taken including the use of LED lights, electric vehicles, changes to anaesthetic gases, the living wall and an active gardening group;
- Changes to inhalers would require the involvement of a wider group of partners;
- Workforce and Patients were being engaged with on climate change and changes to day to day activities' ;
- The importance of partnership working on climate change;
- Staff and public to be engaged to better understand the impact small changes to day to day activities can have on climate change;

8.4 The Chair reiterated the questions to be considered by the Board.

8.5 Councillor Kennedy highlighted the following:

- The need for linkage with NHS partners, assisting in engagement with patients and other service users to ensure that an inclusive conversation about climate change is taking place;
- The need to be conscious of how fair the approach is;
- The need for recognition that some action taken may benefit the climate change campaign but disadvantage individuals in their daily lives and that outcomes outweigh individual inconveniences;
- Welcome the reusable sharp bins;

- The need to reduce the use of single use plastics, in particular in medical settings.
- 8.6 Susan Masters asked for clarification on whether best practice on positive climate action could be disseminated to the Community and Voluntary Sector through the neighbourhoods and the leadership groups on working together to minimise the impact on organisations. allowing for the fact that many of these are lacking in capital.
- 8.7 Frances Haste highlighted the move to focus on increasing walking and cycling in the Borough, highlighting that many older people could not engage in these activities and may be left behind.
- 8.8 The Chair referred to the need for work around identifying the unintended consequences of the climate change initiatives and the need to find ways to mitigate these consequences.
- 8.9 Catherine Pelley highlighted that work was ongoing on recycling with initiatives to reduce the use of single use plastics, particularly gloves with reminders to individuals that there was no longer a need to use these.
- 8.10 The Director of Public Health stressed the need to ensure that the health co-benefits are embedded in the Green Plans and Hackney's Climate Action Plan. There was a need to take account of unintended negative consequences arising, with mitigation in place to ensure reduction. There was a suggestion to combine all three plans and carry out a health impact assessment of the combined plan which would assist in identifying the negative unintentional impacts and possible solutions. This would assist in maximising the health benefits of the plans, identifying areas of commonality with opportunities for joint working.
- 8.11 Rebecca Walters confirmed that a health impact assessment was developed as part of the Integrated Care System green plan. The adaptation team was about to refresh a climate change assessment tool.
- 8.12 The Chair stressed that one of the themes emerging was increasing the tangibility of how partners work together, considering how to combine the plans that are in place, working closely on creating one approach, covering the different elements, using health impact assessment across the health integrated footprint while tailoring to the place based partnerships.
- 8.13 The Director of Education stressed the need to consult with children in the Borough on the Green Plans and Hackney's Climate Action Plan.
- 8.14 Lorraine Sunduza highlighted the need to link the initiative to all those in the population, particularly those who are more deprived, ensuring that it did not result in an additional expense and burden. There was a need to help people to understand how day to day activities contribute to the climate crisis with solutions that take account of cultural norms.

9 Parks and Green Spaces- 1 year update

- 9.1 The Parks Development Manager highlighted the following;
- Work with local people to develop skills with the establishment of a Volunteer Programme;
 - Engagement with local people on ways to improve the borough's parks;
 - Providing work experience for local children;
 - Young and older people involved in the improvement of parks;
 - Local groups were supported to improve parks;
 - Volunteering work in parks was ongoing;
 - Work in Abney Park Cemetery was ongoing with a more accessible entrance on Church Street and a cafe and classroom, etc;
 - The play area at Clapton had reopened;
 - A number of toilets in parks had been refurbished;
 - Food growing on estates had been introduced;
 - Working to achieve Net Zero by 2031;
 - Sustainability measures had been put in place to adapt to climate change.
- 9.2 The Director of Public Health asked if measures were in place to measure the health benefits for those volunteering, or wider actions within the strategy. She asked what measures were being undertaken to reduce the carbon footprint and suggested the installation of heat pumps.
- 9.3 The Director of Delivery, City and Hackney Place Based Partnership asked if consideration was given to the best way to use land to support climate change.
- 9.4 The Parks Delivery Manager confirmed that an assessment of the health benefits was not carried out and welcomed any partnership work on this. He told the Board that climate change was considered and that a heat pump had been installed in Abney Park Cemetery.
- 9.5 Councillor Williams asked if there were plans for food growing on green spaces and asked for an update on tree planting at Hackney Marshes.
- 9.6 The Parks Development Manager confirmed that there was a target for food growing on Council Estates but not on green spaces. A number of trees had been lost because of the hot summer and there were plans to replace these trees.

RESOLVED:

To note the update

10 NHS Funding on Health Inequalities

- 10.1 The Director of Public Health Update members on NHS North East London Health Inequalities funding award and next steps to implement projects in City and Hackney with this funding. City and Hackney had been successful in securing £900k under the NEL Health Inequalities fund. The Inequalities Steering Group was working with the Population Health Hub who had

developed the Bid. £600000 was to be allocated to work as identified by the Health Inequalities Steering Group and £300000 allocated to specific proposals some of which were identified in the report.

- 10.2 Francis Haste asked for clarification on what proportion of the funding would be allocated to the Community and Voluntary Sector.
- 10.3 Susan Masters expressed some concern about funding to the Community and Voluntary Sector. She considered that that infrastructure developed would be a help to the Community and Voluntary Sector
- 10.4 The Director of Public Health told the Board that it was difficult to give an exact figure at present but that it was considerable. Support would be provided to the Community and Voluntary Sector and there was potential for ongoing funding for health inequalities with the potential for work with a broader set of Community and Voluntary Organisations

RESOLVED:

To note the report

11 Health and Wellbeing Strategy Action Plan Update

- 11.1 The Principal Public Health Specialist told the Board that work was ongoing to develop an action plan for the Health and Wellbeing Strategy. A well attended workshop had been held on 27 July 2022 with a further workshop to be held on 17 October 2022 to discuss the draft action plan. The draft action plan would be submitted to the November meeting of the Board.

RESOLVED:

To note the update

12 Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment update

- 12.1 The Principal Public Health Analyst introduced the report. The Board was asked to note that the Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) had now been produced and the statutory duty to publish this document by 1st October 2022 had been met. The Board noted that the PNA had identified no gaps in pharmaceutical services for Hackney.
- 12.2 Susan Masters stated that there was a lack of pharmacies open on a Sundays in parts of Hackney with Hackney Downs having half the London average. She asked what the long term ambitions were for the role of pharmacists in Hackney and whether there were challenges in expanding the role in the community.
- 12.3 The Principal Public Health Analyst told the Board that the PNA advisory Board including colleagues from the NHS and the Council had decided that the findings were satisfactory. She undertook to consult and respond on the matter.

Action: Principal Public Health Analyst

- 12.4 The Director of Public Health reported that the community pharmacies provision was commissioned by the NHS. It was a matter for the Board on whether to accept the conclusions of the report.
- 12.5 The Chair stated that the health workforce has diversified and grown there would be a need to consider the broader implications around estates and sustainability.

RESOLVED:

- To note that the PNA report has been produced for publication, meeting the Health and Wellbeing Board's statutory obligation to produce the Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment by 1st October 2022.
- Note that the report has identified no gaps in pharmaceutical services for Hackney

13 Anchor Collaboration update

- 13.1 The Director of Public Health told the Board that the Anchor Collaboration had been considered by the Health Inequalities Steering Group. A workshop had been convened in August 2022 to decide on a shared vision for Anchor collaboration and to consider the maximisation of resources and the impact on actions. The underlying objective was to have better outcomes for local people. The next step was to bring a report to the Board early in the new year when the new Hackney strategic plan had been adopted and the strategic partnership re-launched, considered to be a suitable location for the matter. Discussion could continue on how to maximise the health impacts at Board meetings.

14 Forward Plan for Future Meetings

- 14.1 The Principal Public Health Specialist updated the Board on upcoming HWB meeting themes and asked members to get in touch if they had any agenda items to add to the forward plan for 2023.

RESOLVED:

To note the forward plan for future meetings.

15 Dates of Next Meeting - 9 November 2022

The Meeting closed at 6:30pm

Chair: Dr Stephanie Coughlin

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