

Minutes of the Sandwell Health and Wellbeing Board

16th January 2020 at 4.30pm
at Sandwell Council House, Oldbury

Present:

Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council (SMBC):

Councillor Yvonne Davies	(Chair) Leader;
Councillor Farut Shaeen	Cabinet Member for Living Healthy Lives;
Councillor Joanne Hadley	Cabinet Member for Homes;
David Stevens	Chief Executive;
Stuart Lackenby	Director – Adult Social Care;
Lisa McNally	Director – Public Health;

Sandwell and West Birmingham Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG):

Dr Ian Sykes	(Vice Chair) SWB CCG GP Representative;
Dr Priyanand Hallan	Primary Care Network GP Representative;
Dr Ayaz Ahmed	Primary Care Network GP Representative;
Sharon Liggins	Chief Officer SWB CCG;

Healthwatch Sandwell:

Alexia Farmer	Healthwatch Sandwell;
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Sandwell Voluntary Sector Organisation:

Mark Davis	Chief Executive;
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In Attendance:

Rachel Allchurch	HWB Project Officer SMBC;
Clair Norton	HWB Project Officer SMBC;
Chris Guest	Service Manager – Adults Social Care;
Paul Moseley	Better Care Fund Programme Manager

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Apologies:

Councillor Rajbir Singh	Scrutiny Chair – Children’s Services and Education;
Councillor Joyce Underhill	Cabinet Member for Best Start in Life;
Frances Craven	Chief Executive SCT;
Matt Young	West Midlands Fire Service.
Councillor Elaine Giles	Scrutiny Chair – Health and Adults Social Care Scrutiny Board;
Richard Youds	Chief Superintendent WMP;
Lesley Hagger	Executive Director – Children’s Services;
Lesley Writtle	Chief Executive BCPFT;

1/20 **Minutes**

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 14th November 2019 be confirmed as a correct record.

Business Items

2/20 **Better Care Funding Section 75 agreement ratification.**

The Better Care Fund Programme manager presented the draft Section 75 pooled budget agreement between Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council and Sandwell and West Birmingham Clinical Commissioning Group in respect of the Sandwell Better Care Fund Programme. The agreement would cover the period from final sign-off at the end of January to 31st March 2020.

The Sandwell Better Care Fund Plan had been approved by NHS England.

The changes to the agreement were outlined as follows:

- an increase in funding from £42M last year to the current £52M;
- a new Programme team had been recruited to increasing the redundancy commitment to £250,000.

From the comments and questions by members of the Health and Wellbeing Board the following responses were made and issues highlighted:-

- The agreement would be rolled over from 1st April 2020 and a renewal of the plan November.

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- The Better Care Fund had been very effective especially in the Delayed Transfer of Care.
- The budget was higher than that of neighbouring authorities.
- Nationally the Better Care Fund was a linchpin for Social Care and the system would be destabilised without it.
- Sandwell had used the funding proactively and continue to work well within the excellent partnership that had been established.
- It was clarified that Cabinet in August 2016, had determined that the Director - Adult Social Care, Health and Wellbeing be authorised to enter into a Section 75 agreement with Sandwell and West Birmingham Clinical Commissioning Group to create a pooled budget to deliver the Sandwell Better Care Fund programme.

Resolved that the Health and Wellbeing Board endorsed the Better Care Fund Section 75 agreement.

Main Discussion items

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Health and Wellbeing Board development session – key themes identified from the dotmocracy and action planning

Following the Local Government Association led development session held on 11th November 2019, Board members agreed key themes to act on and those activities that needed to be sponsored collectively.

There were other statements that the Board were unable to agree in terms of scoring to be added to either the Act or Sponsor categories and it was suggested that a small group of key members be established to discuss further.

Key members identified for the group were as follows:-

- Leader – Councillor Y Davies;
- Cabinet Member for Living Healthy Lives- Councillor Shaeen;
- SWB CCG GP Representative – Dr. Sykes;
- Chief Executive SCVO – Mark Davis;
- Director – Adult Social Care – Stuart Lackenby;
- Chair of Healthwatch Sandwell- John Taylor;
- Chief Executive SWBH Trust – Toby Lewis.

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For Information/Comments

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Chairs Correspondence and News

The Chair advised the Board that David Stevens had been formally appointed as Chief Executive – Sandwell MBC and that Stuart Lackenby appointed to the DASS role and congratulated them.

The Chair congratulated Rachel Allchurch on her new role within the Council and thanked her for all work that she had undertaken in respect to the Board. She welcomed Clair Norton who would be supporting the Board in the future.

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Board Forward Plan

The Health and Wellbeing Project Officer outlined the matters which would be brought to the next meeting of the Board.

The items currently on the Plan were as follows:-

- SSAB Annual Report 2018-19;
- Sandwell Carers Strategy;
- Inclusive Economy.

The Chair requested that the following be added to the plan

- Progress of the integrated care partnership;
- Progress of the Move More Sandwell.

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Date of Next Meeting

Resolved that the next meeting of the Board be held at 4.30pm on 14th March 2020.

(Meeting ended at 5.05 pm)

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