

# Health and Adult Social Care Select Committee

15 March 2019

## Business Planning Group Report

### Report by Chairman, Business Planning Group

#### Executive Summary

Each Select Committee has a Business Planning Group (BPG) to oversee the Committee's work programme and prioritise issues for consideration by the Committee. This report provides an update to the Committee of the BPG meeting held on 4 February 2019 setting out the key issues discussed.

#### Recommendation

The Health and Adult Social Care Select Committee (HASC) is asked to endorse the contents of the report in particular the Committee's Work Programme revised to reflect the Business Planning Group's (BPG's) discussions (attached at Appendix A).

#### 1. Background

- 1.1 The Business Planning Group (BPG) met by video conference on 4 February, members in attendance: Mrs Arculus and Dr Walsh (Chichester) and Mr Petts (Horsham). Also present were: - Anna Raleigh (Director of Public Health), Laura Robertson (Head of Communications and Engagement, Coastal West Sussex Clinical Commissioning Group), Simon Starns and Jo Braine (Adults' Services), Chris Salt (Strategic Finance Manager), Helena Cox (Democratic Services).
- 1.2 Apologies were received from Mr Turner (Chairman) and Mrs Smith.

#### 2. HASC Work Programme Planning 2018-20

##### a) Adults in-house social care provision – 'Choices for the Future'

- The Council was working to maximise services available within local communities following the reviews carried out by Essex Cares Limited
- 20% of service users had Personal Assistants (PAs) to go out and do things with
- The service was working with self-funders to establish a change plan for individuals
- Some Council funded service users were already using respite at Shaw Homes
- The numbers of new service users had decreased due to a preference to receive direct payments
- Revisions to the Judith Adams Centre and The Chestnuts would be completed in November and there would be robust stakeholder engagement over the next 2/3 months - the Wrenford Centre would be used in the interim whilst those changes were made. Service users and families would all be engaged during the transition.

Resolved – that the BPG should receive further updates as the program progressed - 20 November meeting TBC.

##### b) Health and wellbeing of detainees at detention centres – Brook House

Points covered in discussion: -

- Members to have sight of the outcome of the Home Affairs Select Committee inquiry into Brook Houser to decide whether there was any future role for HASC in this issue
- NHS England has a role for the health and wellbeing of detainees at detention centres and therefore it was agreed that a letter be drafted to ask for sight of what health and wellbeing needs assessments have been undertaken and commissioning plans are in place
- It was agreed that the issue would not be included in the Committee's work programme at this stage.

**c) Director of Public Health – verbal updates**

- Public Health was challenged around outcomes regarding substance misuse contracts
- There were gaps in prevention for the alcohol pathway where outcomes were poor and there will be reinvestment in this area
- There was a new national plan regarding suicide prevention and work was being undertaken at Sustainable Transformation Partnership level. This will be reviewed alongside Public Health's existing Suicide Prevention Strategy
- The Health Protection Annual Report was due to be published in September, which included details of immunisation, screening and communicable diseases

Resolved - it was agreed that the Chairman of the Environment, Communities and Fire Select Committee and the Cabinet Member for Safer, Stronger Communities would be invited to HASC when outcomes regarding the substance misuse contracts were considered by the Committee, recognising the cross cutting nature of the issue

**d) Clinical Commissioning Groups**

- The NHS Long-term Plan has been published, and across the Sustainable Transformation Partnership there is a series of engagement events to share it
- Clinical commissioning groups would be responding to the national NHS Long-term Plan in August 2019 and the engagement activity will help to shape this response
- HASC members would receive feedback in the autumn, including the outcome from the engagement activity and subsequent plan
- Flu vaccine take-up would be recorded in the Health Protection Annual Report
- Concern was raised about support for vulnerable patients when the Lawns Surgery in Rustington closed in the summer
- Members asked that purdah was not used as a reason to slow down progress with the Midhurst Community Hospital discussions
- Regarding GP numbers it was agreed that BPG could receive a further update on work across the county at a future meeting

**e) Forward Plan of Key Decisions**

- BPG considered the Forward Plan, but decided not to add any items to the work programme

**f) Total Performance Monitor and Risk Register**

- The underlying £1½m pressure was closer to £1m due to an underlying pressure regarding the learning disability budget - it was anticipated that benefit would be realised in 2019/20
- Delayed contract negotiations with a provider was also a factor with benefits likely to be realised later in 2019/20 rather than the current financial year
- Pressure would be managed through improved Better Care Fund money which had been given to local authorities in order to maintain services

## **g) Work Programme Changes**

- Substance misuse contracts, suicide prevention strategy and Health Protection Annual Report to be considered at the September meeting of the committee
- The care market and the challenge for the health and social care workforce should remain on the work programme and that the Committee could consider what was being done at an Sustainability and Transformation Partnership level

## **3. Planning for the next meeting**

- Members agreed that the next Committee meeting should be webcast in the Council Chamber due to discussions around radiotherapy

## **4. Liaison Meeting Updates**

- The BPG noted the update.

## **5. Dates of next BPG meeting**

- Members noted that the next BPG meeting will be held at 10.30 on 27 June 2019.

## **6. Implications**

- 6.1 There are no social impact, resource, risk management, Crime and Disorder Act or Human Rights Act implications arising directly from this report.

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**Appendices** - Appendix A - HASC Work Programme

**Background Papers** - None

