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KIRKLEES COUNCIL

HEALTH AND ADULT SOCIAL CARE SCRUTINY PANEL

Wednesday 5th July 2023

Present: Councillor Bill Armer (Chair)
Councillor Beverley Addy
Councillor Itrat Ali
Councillor Jo Lawson
Councillor Habiban Zaman

Co-optees Kim Taylor

In attendance: Stacey Appleyard– Director Healthwatch Kirklees
Nicola Bailey – Assistant Director of Transformation and Partnerships Calderdale and Huddersfield NHS Foundation Trust.
Cllr Musarrat Khan – Cabinet Member for Health and Social Care.
Carol McKenna – Integrated Care Board Accountable Officer (Kirklees Health and Care Partnership).
Richard Parry – Strategic Director Adults and Health

Observers: Cllr Liz Smaje

Apologies: Councillor Alison Munro
Helen Clay (Co-Optee)

1 Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the meetings held on 1 March 2023 and 5 April 2023 were approved as a correct record.

2 Interests

Cllr Jo Lawson declared an interest in item 6 (setting the Work Programme 2023/24) on the grounds that she was a member of the Calderdale and Huddersfield NHS Foundation Trust's bank staff.

3 Admission of the public

All items were taken in public session.

4 Deputations/Petitions

No deputations or petitions were received.

5 Public Question Time

No questions were asked.

6 Setting the Work Programme 2023/24

A discussion took place on the Panel's work programme and agenda plan for the 2023/24 municipal year.

Cllr Armer, Lead Member of the Health and Adult Social Care Scrutiny Panel invited Cllr Musarrat Khan, Cabinet Member for Health and Social Care, to comment on the work programme and outline her priorities for the year.

Cllr Khan informed the Panel that she was currently refreshing the priorities for the year but that it would continue with a similar theme ensuring that people had an opportunity to address their health and wellbeing and the Council would also look to address health inequalities.

Cllr Khan stated that the focus would be on helping people to stay as well as possible independently and in their own home. Cllr Khan stated that the Panel's work programme did overlap with the Cabinet priorities and that the programme highlighted a number of important areas that needed to be reviewed.

Cllr Khan informed the Panel that she felt that the programme was very ambitious and expressed a concern that the Panel would not have sufficient enough time to be able to have a deep dive into each issue.

Cllr Armer stated that he shared Cllr Khan's concerns that there was a wide scope of issues on the work programme and was conscious of the potential problem of going to wide with the work and not scrutinising deep enough.

Cllr Armer invited to Nicola Bailey Assistant Director of Transformation and Partnerships for Calderdale and Huddersfield NHS Foundation Trust (CHFT) to make comment on the work programme.

Ms Bailey stated that the Trust had fed comments through the workshop and was comfortable with the work programme as presented.

Cllr Armer invited Richard Parry Strategic Director for Adults and Health to comment. Mr Parry stated that the Panel would need to get the right balance in its work programme to ensure it could provide sufficient focus on a number of important issues within the health and adult social care sector.

Cllr Armer invited Stacey Appleyard Director Healthwatch Kirklees to comment. Ms Appleyard informed that the Panel that Healthwatch had been provided with the opportunity to feed into the work programme and had no other comments to make.

Ms Appleyard stated that she would endeavour to attend the Panel meetings to ensure that the patient voice was reflected in the discussions.

Cllr Armer invited Carol McKenna Integrated Care Board (ICB) accountable officer for the Kirklees Health and Care Partnership to make comment. Ms McKenna stated that she had welcomed the opportunity to feed into the earlier work programme workshop and at present had no further comment to make.

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The Panel and invited attendees discussed the draft work programme and the following comments and questions were noted:

1. Resources of the Kirklees Health and Adult Social Care Economy.
 - The approach and areas of focus as outlined in the work programme was agreed.
 - The ongoing financial challenges facing the local health and social care system was acknowledged.
2. Capacity and Demand – Kirklees Health and Adult Social Care System.
 - Confirmation that the Capacity and Demand and Resources items had been provisionally scheduled for the August meeting and would be presented as a whole system discussion.
 - Confirmation that the updated data would cover the same service areas that was presented to the Panel in 2022.
3. Joined up Care in Kirklees Neighbourhoods
 - A question on the impact that the Integrated Care System (ICS) would have on the local health system.
 - An overview of the ICB governance and decision making structure.
 - Confirmation that the formation of the ICB and the local health and care partnership would help to strengthen the ability for health partners to work together.
4. Mental Health and Wellbeing.
 - An overview of a workshop session, attended by health scrutiny members from Kirklees, Wakefield and Calderdale, to discuss the work that was being done to transform older people's mental health inpatient services.
 - Clarification that the work programme item had identified two elements of work one that focused on older people's mental health inpatient services and the other on child and adolescent mental health services (CAMHS).
 - An overview of the process for establishing a mandatory Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee to oversee the older people's mental health inpatient services transformation programme.
5. Managing capacity and demand
 - The approach and areas of focus as outlined in the work programme was agreed.
6. Maternity Services
 - Details of a Lead Member briefing with representatives from CHFT that had provided an update on the position of maternity services provision in Kirklees.
 - Confirmation that an update from CHFT and Mid Yorkshire Teaching NHS Trust (MYTT) on the work being done to reintroduce birthing centres in Kirklees had been provisionally scheduled to take place at the November meeting.
 - Confirmation that MYTT had invited the Panel to discuss and visit the maternity services at Dewsbury and Pinderfields Hospitals.

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- A comment that it was important for the Panel to move forward with this item and to follow up on its request to receive a timeline for the reopening of services and details of the proposed maternity services model in Kirklees.
 - A panel agreement that it should accept the invite from MYTT to visit the maternity services delivered at Pinderfields hospital.
7. Access to dentistry
- Confirmation that the specific issue regarding the delays to children requiring dental extractions under general anaesthetic would be covered in the capacity and demand item.
 - A proposal that the ICB could provide a general update on access to dentistry including the work it was doing in response to children's dental extractions later in the Panel's work programme.
8. Kirklees Safeguarding Adults Board (KSAB) and the Care Quality Commission (CQC).
- A comment that this item would enable the Panel to demonstrate that it had an understanding of the safeguarding system across Kirklees.
9. Adult Social Care (ASC).
- An overview of the new CQC inspection regime for ASC.
 - A proposal that the item would benefit from being scheduled for discussion late Autumn/early winter 2023 to tie in with the anticipated timescales for receiving feedback from the CQC pilot.
 - An overview of the ongoing workforce challenges in the adult social care sector.
 - An explanation of the pilot scheme.
 - Confirmation that CQC hadn't made publicly available their pilot approach.
 - Confirmation that ASC understood the broad areas of the pilot inspection regime and this could be shared with the Panel.
10. Joined up hospital services in Kirklees.
- A comment that it would be beneficial for the Panel to have the discussion with both acute trusts where they would be able to provide details of service areas that they were working together on for the benefit of Kirklees residents.
 - A suggestion that it would be helpful for the Panel to receive data that could demonstrate the benefits to patients for those services that were jointly supported and/or delivered.
11. External consultancy
- A detailed explanation of the work that an external commission consultant had been instructed to undertake that included: an understanding of adult social care future demand in the next 5 years; to help ASC to prepare for the reforms in 2025; and to look for opportunities to increase efficiencies by changing the way that ASC operated.
 - Confirmation that the outcomes of the work would be available from October 2023.
 - A question seeking more information on the consultants that were being commissioned and the level of experience of the consultants.

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- Details of the consultants who were a national organisation and had worked in a significant number of other health and care systems.
- Details of the approach that the consultants would be taking for the Kirklees work.
- A comment and question outlining the importance of including the input of users and ex-users of ASC services in the consultants work.
- Confirmation that understanding the experiences of services users and ex - users would be a critical element of the work.
- A question on the timetable for implementation for changes to the way that services were operated.
- An outline of the timescale for change.

Cllr Armer outlined the golden threads that would be included in the work programme that included workforce recruitment and retention; impact of Covid-19; performance data; and inequalities in health.

The Panel discussed its outline agenda plan that included confirmation of the items for inclusion in meetings scheduled up to the early part of 2024.