

North Yorkshire Health and Wellbeing Board

Minutes of the meeting held on 29 November 2019 at Rural Arts in Thirsk

Present:-

Board Members	Constituent Organisation
County Councillors	
County Councillor Michael Harrison (Chair)	Executive Member for Adult Social Care and Health Integration, North Yorkshire County Council
County Councillor Caroline Dickinson	Executive Member for Public Health and Prevention
County Councillor Janet Sanderson	Executive Member for Children and Young People's Service
Local Authority Officers	
Lincoln Sargeant	Director of Public Health, North Yorkshire County Council
Janet Waggott	Chief Executive, Selby District Council and Assistant Chief Executive, North Yorkshire County Council (District Councils Chief Executive Representative)
Richard Webb	Corporate Director, Health and Adult Services, North Yorkshire County Council
Other Members	
Nigel Ayre (substituting for Chris Brackley)	Delivery Manager, Healthwatch North Yorkshire
Phil Bramhall (substituting for Jill Quinn)	Chief Executive, Chopsticks (Voluntary Sector Representative)
Mike Padgham	Chief Executive, Independent Care Group (Care Providers Representative)
Co-opted Members	
Naomi Lonergan (substituting for Colin Martin)	Head of Operations, North Yorkshire and York, Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys NHS Foundation Trust (Mental Health Trust Representative)

In Attendance:-

County Councillor Andy Paraskos, Older People's Champion
 Dr. Sue Proctor, Independent Chair, North Yorkshire Safeguarding Adults Board

North Yorkshire County Council Officers:

Dale Owens, Assistant Director, Care and Support, Louise Wallace, Assistant Director, Health and Integration (Health and Adult Services), James Parkes, North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children's Partnership Manager (Children and Young People's Service), Hannah Bowles (Business Support) and Patrick Duffy (Legal and Democratic Services)

Copies of all documents considered are in the Minute Book

112. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted by:

- Amanda Bloor, Accountable Officer, North Yorkshire Clinical Commissioning Groups
- Richard Flinton, Chief Executive, North Yorkshire County Council
- Councillor Richard Foster, Leader, Craven District Council
- Helen Hirst, Accountable Officer, NHS Airedale, Wharfedale and Craven CCG
- Shaun Jones, NHS England
- Colin Martin, Chief Executive, Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys NHS Foundation Trust
- Phil Mettam, Accountable Officer, Vale of York Clinical Commissioning Group
- Jill Quinn, Chief Executive, Dementia Forward
- Rachel Pippin Sector Commander (North), Yorkshire Ambulance Service

113. Minutes

Resolved -

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 20 September 2019 be approved as an accurate record.

114. Review of actions taken at the last meeting

Considered -

An Action Sheet produced by the representative of the Assistant Chief Executive (Legal and Democratic Services).

With regard to Minute No. 107, Public Questions or Statements, the Chair advised that he would ensure that a response was provided to Amanda Griffiths following a meeting with the Corporate Director for Health and Adult Services.

115. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

116. Public Questions of Statements

There were no public questions or statements.

117. North Yorkshire Safeguarding Adults Board – Annual Report 2019/2020

Considered -

A covering report by Dr. Sue Proctor, Independent Chair of the North Yorkshire Safeguarding Adults Board (SAB), which summarised the key messages from the Annual Report together with future priorities.

A link to the Annual Report had been sent to Members as part of the covering report.

Dr. Proctor highlighted the following points in particular:-

- a great deal of work had been undertaken by the SAB in the past year;

- the SAB provides the strategic direction and assurance, whereas its Committees are the “engine room” for its work;
- a survey of users and carers in relation to the Mental Capacity Act had shown that a number of improvements were required. A lot of work was being undertaken to help navigate people through the changes;
- in terms of communications, the website had been revamped and more active use made of social media;
- Trading Standards were now part of the Board;
- Sessions had been held with Robert Ling, Assistant Director, Technology and Change, on IT/Digital issues and also with representatives of the Armed Forces and the Faith Sector;
- a Session with the Fire and Rescue Service was planned for the next meeting;
- the SAB felt it crucial that the full range of partners viewed safeguarding as “their business” even if it was not one of their statutory responsibilities; and
- the Annual Report was more readable and less dense than previously

The Chair asked for clarification on inappropriate use of safeguarding alerts say, for example, where a Care Home makes a mistake and raises it themselves. Why was this necessary? Dr. Proctor advised that the Learning and Resources Sub-Group had published a Lessons Learnt Review and one of the recommendations was for clarity of process and ensuring that partners have an understanding of that.

Louise Wallace, Assistant Director for Health Integration, added that since 1 October 2019 new safeguarding policies and procedures are being implemented. As part of this, there is a new notification tool, primarily to capture issues of service quality rather than a safeguarding concern. The new policy implementation means that there is now a four step process rather than a seven step process. Feedback has been that this is easier to understand and operate than the previous procedure.

Mike Padgham, Chair of the Independent Care Group, said that if care staff did not raise an alert, even when it was appropriate not to, this could count as a black mark against them by the Care Quality Commission.

Councillor Janet Sanderson, Executive Member for Children and Young People’s Service, advised of a recent incident in her Ward where a gentleman had died in a house fire. In this case it seemed that it was not prevention that the gentleman required (which had been provided) but social services. She also understood that there had been a similar incident in another part of the county. Should there be greater liaison between the Fire and Rescue Service and Social Services? Of course, personal responsibility is important but sometimes people’s health can deteriorate, thereby increasing their vulnerability.

Dr. Proctor said the SAB would follow this up and Richard Webb, Corporate Director for Health and Adult Services, asked Councillor Sanderson to let him have details of these cases as he would wish to investigate further.

Richard Webb thanked Dr. Proctor for her positive leadership which he felt had galvanised the work of the SAB.

The Chair thanked Dr. Proctor for her presentation.

Resolved –

- a) That the Safeguarding Adults Board follow up on the fire incidents raised by Councillor Janet Sanderson.
- b) That Councillor Janet Sanderson forward details of the incident(s) she is aware of to the Corporate Director for Health and Adult Services so that he can look into them further.
- c) That the Annual Report, together with the Board's future plans for 2019/20 and beyond, be noted.

118. North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Board – Annual Report 2019/2020

Considered –

A report by Maggie Atkinson, Independent Chair of the North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Board.

The report was presented, on behalf of the independent Chair, by James Parkes, North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children's Partnership Manager.

A link to the Annual Report had been sent to Members as part of the covering report.

James Parkes stressed the following aspects:-

- the introduction of the North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Partnership had led to positive changes. This body now undertook the work formerly carried out by North Yorkshire Children's Trust and North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Board with the aim of ensuring that all children in North Yorkshire are safe, happy, healthy and achieving. These positive developments included:-
 - partners actively seeking to identify hot spots and disrupting the perpetrators; and
 - more timely reports. For example, Serious Case Reviews are now completed in a much shorter timescale which will ensure the learning can be shared at a far earlier stage with partners
- it was important that the partnership kept up to speed on issues such as County Lines
- engagement was crucial. For instance, the Youth Voice Executive attend meetings and advise the Partnership on what areas they should be focussing on.

In response to a question from the Chair, James Parkes clarified how local learning is undertaken from national cases. Louise Wallace added that on 2nd December 2019 an event would examine how agencies across the system can work together better.

The Chair thanked James Parkes for his presentation.

Resolved –

That the Annual Report be noted, together with the work that is ongoing through the Inter-board Network and Systems Leadership Group to bring the work of Safeguarding Adults, Safeguarding Children, the Health and Wellbeing Board and the Community Safety Partnership closer together to avoid duplication and form a think family approach across North Yorkshire.

119. Better Care Fund and Quarterly Performance Report

Considered –

A presentation by Louise Wallace which updated Members on this matter.

The presentation outlined the time line; major areas of pooled budget; contributions (in terms of input) and next steps.

Louise Wallace advised that most of the projects had been rolled forward from the 2017/2019 Integration and Better Care Fund Plan, with the updated Plan being tweaked where it needed to be.

Once the Section 75 Agreement is agreed and signed, next steps would be the continuance of monthly catch-up sessions with the Integrated Performance Group (IPG) and progress against metrics and targets monitored through the IPG and quarterly returns to national partners.

Resolved –

That the Section 75 Agreements be agreed, thereby approving the Better Care Fund Plan for submission to NHS England.

120. Rolling Work Programme/Calendar of Meetings 2019/20

Considered –

The latest Work Programme.

The Chair reported that the next meeting was likely to exclusively comprise formal business in order to consider matters such as the Annual Report of the Director of Public Health for 2019.

Richard Webb suggested that a future topic for a Workshop could be sport and activity and tackling obesity.

Resolved:-

- a) That the next meeting on 22nd January 2020 be devoted to formal business.
- b) That consideration be given to a future Workshop concerning sport and activity and tackling obesity

The meeting concluded at 10.00 a.m.

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