
Scrutiny Review - Access to Primary Healthcare for People with Learning Difficulties

TUESDAY, 3RD OCTOBER, 2006 at 19:00 HRS – CIVIC CENTRE, HIGH ROAD, WOOD GREEN N22 8LE

MEMBERS: Councillors Dogus, Jones (Chair), Oatway, Whyte and Wilson

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. URGENT BUSINESS

The Chair will consider the admission of any late items of urgent business. (Late items will be considered under the agenda item where they appear. New items will be dealt with at item 7 below).

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

A member with a personal interest in a matter who attends a meeting of the authority at which the matter is considered must disclose to that meeting the existence and nature of that interest at the commencement of that consideration, or when the interest becomes apparent.

A member with a personal interest in a matter also has a prejudicial interest in that matter if the interest is one which a member of the public, with knowledge of the relevant facts, would reasonably regard as so significant that it is likely to prejudice the member's judgement of the public interest.

4. MINUTES (PAGES 1 - 2)

To approve the minutes of the meeting of 5 September 2006 (attached).

5. ACCESS TO PRIMARY HEALTHCARE FOR PEOPLE WITH PROFOUND AND MULTIPLE LEARNING DISABILITIES

To receive a scene setting presentation from the Head of Haringey Learning Disability Partnership including:

- How the partnership works
- Definition of PMLD
- Health issues and how they affect people with LD
- The role of primary health care

6. PROGRESS WITH REVIEW (PAGES 3 - 4)

To consider progress with the review and future timetable (attached).

7. NEW ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS

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MINUTES OF THE SCRUTINY REVIEW - ACCESS TO PRIMARY HEALTHCARE FOR PEOPLE WITH LEARNING DIFFICULTIES**TUESDAY, 5 SEPTEMBER 2006**

Councillors: *Jones (Chair), Dogus, Oatway, *Whyte and *Wilson

* Member present

LC1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Dogus and Oatway.

LC2. URGENT BUSINESS

None.

LC3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no such declarations.

LC4. SCRUTINY REVIEW ON IMPROVING ACCESS TO PRIMARY HEALTH CARE FOR PEOPLE WITH PROFOUND AND MULTIPLE LEARNING DISABILITIES – SCOPE/TERMS OF REFERENCE

The Panel received a presentation outlining the proposed scope and terms of reference for the review as well as the action learning project to develop health scrutiny that it was linked to it. It was noted that the project had been the subject of a successful for external funding of £19,200 from the Centre for Public Scrutiny which would be used to undertake a consultation exercise with people with profound and multiple learning disabilities and their families.

AGREED:

That the draft scope and terms of reference for the review by agreed.

LC5. PROGRESS WITH REVIEW

The Panel noted that, due to the highly specialised nature of the consultation work that was planned with people with profound and multiple learning disabilities (PMLD), it had only been possible to identify two appropriately qualified organisations to undertake the work. These were the Norah Fry Research Centre at the University of Bristol and the National Development Team. The Norah Fry Research Centre had decided that their location would make it difficult for them to provide the level of support that was required. However, the National Development Team had indicated that they were able to meet fully all the project's requirements and the Panel concurred with their provisional appointment.

The consultation process would shortly begin and the learning Disabilities Partnership were currently in the process of identifying appropriate participants. The results of the consultation would be reported back to the Panel in November to allow them to take on board its findings in the questioning of local primary care practitioners.

The Project Steering Group, of which all of the Members of the Panel were also members, would look in more detail at the issues that it was felt that the consultation should focus upon. The Group would be meeting on Monday 18 September at 6:30

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p.m. to do this. Future meetings of the Group would, were possible, be arranged to take place immediately before Panel meetings.

The Panel felt that it would be useful for them to visit a day centre for people with learning disabilities in order to gain some impression of the issues facing them and it was agreed that this would be arranged with the Head of the Learning Disabilities Partnership.

It was noted that date the fourth meeting of the Panel would need to be moved and agreed that, subject to the availability of Members not present at the meeting, it would be moved to Tuesday 14 November.

LC6. NEW ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS

There were no such items.

Cllr Emma Jones

Chair

HEALTH SCRUTINY ACTION LEARNING PROJECT – PROJECT PLAN/TIMETABLE

No.	Task	Start date	Finish date
1.	Stage 1; Development and Preparation		
1.1	Appointment of support on Action Learning <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Get quotes by 19 May 	8 May	26 May
1.2	Setting up of Project Steering Group	8 May	26 May
1.3	Appointment of Chair of Review Panel	8 May	26 May
1.4	First Meeting of Project Steering Group (PSG) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of terms of reference and scope for Action Learning Project • Development of scope and terms of reference of review project • Identification of key stakeholders and witnesses • Development of proposals for public and patient involvement • Development of brief for consultation element • Set up programme of meetings etc. 		26 June
1.5	Meeting of members of review panel to consider proposals from the Chair and make recommendations for Overview and Scrutiny Committee		5 September
1.6	Approval of final arrangements for project by Overview and Scrutiny Committee		12 September
2.	Stage Two - Review Process		
2.1	Meeting 2 of PSG		18 September
2.2	Meeting 2: Learning Disability Partnership to provide a scene setting presentation including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How the partnership works • Definition of PMLD • Health issues and how they affect people with LD • Role of primary health care 		3 October
2.3	Meeting 3; MENCAP/Markfield Project/HAIL/PPI Forum		31 October
2.4	Meeting 3 of PSG		16 November
2.5	Meeting 4; Feedback from consultation		16 November
2.6	Meeting 5 PCT and GPs		11 December
2.7	Meeting 4 of PSG	18 December	21 December
2.8	Meeting 5: Plenary session - Conclusions and recommendations		18 January
3.	Presentation of Conclusions and Recommendations		
3.1	Writing up of report	22 January	1 February
3.2	Report circulated to Chair and panel for comment	5 February	12 February
3.3	Final PSG Meeting	26 February	2 March

3.4	Circulated to officers/partner organisations for comments on factual accuracy	26 February	12 March
3.5	Scrutiny review and action learning reports submitted to Overview and Scrutiny Committee		27 March
4.	Follow up of Review		
	Executive/Partnership response to recommendations		
	Overview and Scrutiny receives progress report on implementation of recommendations		