

16 October 2018

**AT A MEETING**

**of the**

**ADULT SERVICES AND HEALTH  
OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

held at on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of October 2018 at 6.30 pm

**PRESENT:** Councillor Mingay (Chair)  
Councillors Corp, Masud, Rider, Towler and Uko

Also present: Ms S Adams, BCCG Director of Commissioning for Out of Hospital & Primary Care, Ms S Frisby, BCCG Senior Communications and Engagement Manager, Ms J Meggitt, BCCG Director of Planned and Unplanned Care and Mr A Khandelwal, Director of Healthwatch Bedford Borough (observer)

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Bootiman

**48. QUESTIONS**

There were no questions from Members of the Council or members of the public.

**49. MINUTES**

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the extra-ordinary meeting of the Committee held on 26 September 2018 be confirmed.

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**50. DISCLOSURE OF LOCAL AND/OR DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

There were no disclosures of local or disclosable pecuniary interests.

**51. BEDFORD DAYCARE HOSPICE**

Ms Adams reported that Bedford Daycare Hospice in Linden Road, Bedford looked after people with life limiting conditions over the age of 18 years. The hospice was not registered with the Care Quality Commission.

In March 2018, the Bedfordshire Clinical Commissioning Group (BCCG), agreed to provide £50,000 funding to the Hospice for the financial year 2018/19. Upon further discussions with the management of the Hospice, the BCCG had revised its position and agreed to continue to provide funding for a further year, pending a full clinical review of the services commissioned and engagement with the local community.

This review had been undertaken in the summer of 2018 by the BCCG Clinical Quality Team. The findings demonstrated that further work was needed to gain more detailed understanding of the health aspects of the service. It was anticipated that this work would continue towards the end of the year.

Negotiations for contracts for 2019/20 were currently underway and discussions would commence with Bedford Daycare Hospice shortly.

In response to a question on the Hospice's annual overheads, Ms Adams advised that on its website the Hospice stated that it was largely self-funding through contributions and fundraising and that the statutory share of funding was very small. However, when historically it had been suggested that the BCCG might stop supporting the Hospice it had been suggested that the £50k was in the region of a tenth of its total annual funding. This £50k was public money and as such the BCCG had a right to ask what it would be spent on. The BCCG had been advised that it was spent on nurses and part of the clinical review had been to find out what the nurses were doing as the BCCG already funded Marie Curie, MacMillan and Community nurses.

In response to a question, Ms Adams advised that once the BCCG had a clearer view of how its funding was being used she would provide Members with a briefing note.

The Chair thanked her for her attendance and contribution to the meeting.

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RESOLVED:

That the BCCG Director of Commissioning for Out of Hospital & Primary Care be requested to provide a briefing note on the BCCG's funding and review of services of Bedford Daycare Hospice.

**52. BEDFORDSHIRE, LUTON AND MILTON KEYNES JOINT SYSTEM COMMISSIONING INTENTIONS - 2019/20**

The Bedfordshire, Luton and Milton Keynes (BLMK) Joint System Commissioning Intentions 2019/20 set out the commissioning ambition of the three BLMK Clinical Commissioning Groups and had been developed in partnership with all key system stakeholders through a range of forums, including patient groups, clinical leads and providers.

These Intentions were being presented to highlight the vision for service developments and changes in 2019/20. All service changes would be designed in partnership with the local system to ensure that they were of high quality, clinically efficient and improved the health and social care outcomes for patients.

The document built on the BLMK System Operating Plan 2018/19 and set out initial plans for the commissioning of services in 2019/20. It provided the context for constructive engagement with providers, partners and other stakeholders with a view to achieving the shared goal of improved patient outcomes and service improvement within the fixed resources available.

As the Integrated Care System continued to embed, the system was developing its approach to balance BLMK-wide ambition and direction whilst instilling a clear sense of place and ensuring that the differences at a local level were understood. As such, Transformation Boards had been established for each place, and they had developed Transformation Board place-based strategies. Increasingly the intentions would reflect the local strategies and be more co-produced in future to result in system intentions that articulated both system level and local change required to meet the specific needs of each place population. The closer alignment of the CCG strategy and system-wide priorities would be strengthened through the appointment of a single Accountable Officer and Joint Executive Team which would be in place by the end of quarter three 2018/19.

Commissioning Intentions had been developed for each of the following priority areas:

- Children, Young People and Maternity;
- Primary Care;

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- Planned Care;
- Urgent and Emergency Care;
- Out of Hospital Care;
- Mental Health;
- Learning Disabilities;
- Medicines Optimisation.

Once the more detailed planning stage was reached there could be some changes.

In response to questions, Ms Meggitt advised that the exact amount of the Revenue Budget of the three CCGs in 2018/19 had yet to be determined but currently it was approximately £550m for BCCG. However, she stressed that this was about the services needed, not about the cost. There were a lot of things that they would like to do but these needed to be agreed at a high level before the detail was considered.

In relation to integration, she advised that the CCGs worked in different ways but experience over the previous 12 months had shown that there were things which could be done together.

In respect to Mental Health, she advised that the commissioning intention was to re-scope the in-patient beds as some people's conditions meant they needed a bed whilst others were better looked after at home with wraparound services.

Ms Frisby reported that the development of phlebotomy services in Bedford was under consideration. Currently these were provided in hospital and in some GP Practices. A pilot scheme would be starting shortly in the Dunstable area to provide a community phlebotomy service in a community clinic and if this was successful it was one of the things which could be considered for the Bedford area. In relation to eating disorders, she advised that GPs found this cohort of patients difficult to look after so this was something that the CCG would like to develop further.

In relation to reports about GPs now holding group appointments for patients, the Service Manager Health and Policy Support reported that this was for people who had been diagnosed with a condition, e.g. diabetes, and were being given the opportunity to have an extended session with a specialist nurse in a group environment. This had seen positive results with people sharing their experiences and tips.

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Responding to a question on on-line GP consultation, Ms Meggitt advised that pilot schemes had been introduced for an on-line 111 facility. This service would be introduced in Bedfordshire over the next two or three months and would enable access to the Urgent Treatment Centre or the GP Practice.

RESOLVED:

That the report be noted.

**53. 'CALL-INS'**

RESOLVED:

That it be noted that there had not been any 'call-ins' since the last meeting of the Committee.

**54. RECORD OF DECISIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE**

RESOLVED:

- (1) That the following decisions taken by the Executive at its meeting on 19 September 2018 be added to the agenda for the next meeting of the Committee:
  - (i) Annual Adults Safeguarding Board Report;
  - (ii) Adult Services Customer Feedback 2017/18.
- (2) That an off-agenda briefing note be circulated on the Local Government & Social Care Ombudsman Annual Review 2017/18.

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**55. SUMMARY OF INDIVIDUAL EXECUTIVE DECISIONS**

RESOLVED:

That it be noted that no relevant individual Executive Decisions have been made since the last meeting of this Committee.

**56. NOTICE OF FORTHCOMING DECISIONS TO BE TAKEN BY THE EXECUTIVE**

RESOLVED:

That the summary of the Notice of Forthcoming Decisions for the period 1 November 2018 to 28 February 2019 be noted.

**57. COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME 2018/2019**

RESOLVED:

That the Committee's Work Programme for 2018/19 be updated as set out in the Appendix to these Minutes.

The meeting closed at 7.05 pm

**UPDATED WORK PROGRAMME**

| Date of Meeting         | Topic   | Detail and purpose of item   |
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| <b>6 November 2018</b>  |   |  |
|                         | Annual Adult Safeguarding Report 2017/2018          | To consider the findings of the Annual Adults Safeguarding Report 2017/18.   |
|                         | Adults' Services Customer Feedback 2017/2018        | To consider the customer feedback received during 2017/18 relating to Adults' Services.  |
| <b>11 December 2018</b> |   |  |
|                         | Urgent and Primary Care Pathways                    | To receive an update from the BCCG on the various developments in primary urgent care including the Urgent Treatment Centre, Putnoe Walk-in Centre, GP extended access and extended hours and 111.                     |
|                         | East Anglian Ambulance Service Trust – 999 services | To receive a report on the 999 service and performance information; also to receive an update on the outcome from the independent resources review (staffing and equipment) and implementation of its recommendations. |
|                         | Non-emergency Patient Transport                     | To receive an update from the BCCG and EEAST on progress with the service  |
|                         | Stroke Rehabilitation Services                      | To receive an update from the BCCG on its planning for stroke rehabilitation services in Bedford Borough.  |

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| <b>22 January 2019</b>  |   |  |
|                         | Social Prescribing  | To receive a briefing on the progress with social prescribing.   |
|                         | Mental Health Services (including Street Triage)  | To receive an update on crisis care transformation including addressing feedback from work programme consultation on (i) a mental health telephone line that people can call when they need support and (ii) recording of serious incidents in health and social care of patients with mental health issues. To receive feedback from the Mental Health Street Triage pilot. |
|                         | Bedford Prison Counselling Services   | To invite key partners and to consider evidence relating to the Counselling Service in Bedford Prison  |
| <b>26 February 2019</b> |   |  |
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| <b>2 April 2019</b>     |   |  |
|                         | Bedford Borough Council Strategy to tackle the causes and effects of Domestic Abuse 2017-2020 | To receive a progress report regarding the Bedford Borough Council Strategy to Tackle the Causes and Effects of Domestic Abuse 2017-2020.  |
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| <b>End of Year</b>      |   |  |