MINUTES OF AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD HELD ON THURSDAY 11 SEPTEMBER 2014 FROM 5PM TO 5.10PM

Present:-

Keith Baker	Leader of the Council
Charlotte Haitham Taylor	Executive Member for Children's Services
Julian McGhee- Sumner	Executive Member for Health and Wellbeing
Prue Bray	Opposition Member
Darrell Gale (substituting Dr Lise Llewellyn)	Consultant in Public Health
Dr Johan Zylstra (substituting Dr Stephen Madgwick)	Wokingham Clinical Commissioning Group
Katie Summers	Wokingham Clinical Commissioning Group
Nick Campbell-White	Healthwatch Wokingham Borough
Nikki Luffingham (substituting Louise Watson)	NHS England
Chief Inspector Rob France	Community Safety Partnership
Clare Rebbeck	Place and Community Partnership
Tom Clark (substituting Beverley Graves)	Business, Skills and Enterprise Partnership

Also present:-

Teresa Bell, Wokingham Better Care Fund Programme Manager Steve Cross, Health Integration Finance Lead Andrea King, Community Safety & Family First Service Manager Holli Pickford, Public Health Project Officer Andrew Price, Manager Wokingham Clinical Commissioning Group Madeleine Shopland, Principal Democratic Services Officer Dr Cathy Winfield, Wokingham Clinical Commissioning Group

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18. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were submitted from Dr Madgwick, Beverley Graves, Dr Llewellyn, Judith Ramsden and Stuart Rowbotham.

19. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made.

20. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no public questions received.

21. MEMBER QUESTION TIME

There were no Member questions received.

22. BETTER CARE FUND

Board members were reminded that councils had been asked to resubmit their Better Care Fund Plan by 19 September 2014.

A 'How to' guide had been circulated nationally during the week beginning 1 September and a regional workshop for locality teams working on the submission, and facilitated by NHS England had been held on 8 September. As much of the new technical guidance and support had not long been available, it was proposed to delegate the authorisation of the final Better Care Fund Plan to the Chairman of the Health and Wellbeing Board in order to meet the new submission deadline to NHS England.

Councillor Bray questioned whether the changes were substantive and whether the amount of money received would be affected. Katie Summer commented that the sole performance payment metric in the Better Care Fund was reducing total emergency admissions to hospitals in 2015/6. This was worth £448k.

RESOLVED That responsibility for the authorisation of the final version of the Better Care Fund Plan be delegated to the Chairman of the Health & Wellbeing Board in order to meet the submission deadline to NHS England of 19 September 2014.

23. FUNDING TRANSFER FROM NHS ENGLAND; AND PREPARING FOR THE BETTER CARE FUND 2014-15

The Board received a report regarding the funding transfer from NHS England and preparation for the Better Care Fund 2014-15. The report explained the financial background in which the Council was operating and how the total NHS funding had been used to support Adult Social Care and the implementation of the Better Care Fund and Care Act. The report and the appended S256 agreement identified those areas of service which had been protected as a result of this funding.

Councillor Haitham-Taylor noted that £335k was set aside for preparation for the Better Care Fund and questioned how the Board could be assured that the Council would not overextend itself. Steve Cross commented that it was not anticipated that further funds would be required. Teresa Bell reminded Board members that the programme would be managed by the Wokingham Integration Strategic Partnership which reported to the Health and Wellbeing Board.

Clare Rebbeck commented that £210k had been assigned to 'Other preventative services – (financial support to the voluntary sector and other organisations currently providing a range of preventative services)' and questioned whether this was part of the existing voluntary sector budget or an addition. Steve Cross agreed to feed back.

RESOLVED That the use of the 2014-15 transferred monies be approved.

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