

North Yorkshire County Council

Executive

Minutes of the meeting held at County Hall, Northallerton on Tuesday, 25 April 2017 commencing at 11.00 am.

County Councillor Carl Les in the Chair. County Councillors Arthur Barker, David Chance, Gareth Dadd, Don Mackenzie, Chris Metcalfe, Janet Sanderson and Clare Wood.

Officers present: Richard Flinton, Pete Dwyer, Gary Fielding, Catriona Gatrell, Anton Hodge, Barry Khan, Josie O'Dowd and Richard Webb.

One media representative.

Copies of all documents considered are in the Minute Book

221. Minutes

Resolved –

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 28 March 2017, having been printed and circulated, are taken as read and are confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

222. Any Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest to note.

223. Exclusion of the Public

Resolved –

That the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of each of the items of business listed in column 1 of the following table on the grounds that each involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the paragraph(s) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local government (Access to Information)(Variation) Order 2006 as defined in column 2.

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224. Questions and Statements from members of the public

There were no questions or statements from members of the public.

225. Feedback from Area Committees

Considered –

A report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Legal and Democratic Services) relating to meetings of the:-

- ◆ Ryedale Area Committee - 22 February 2017
- ◆ Hambleton Area Committee - 6 March 2017
- ◆ Craven Area Committee - 9 March 2017
- ◆ Selby Area Committee - 13 March 2017
- ◆ Yorkshire Coast and Moors County Area Committee - 15 March 2017
- ◆ County Area Committee for the Harrogate District - 16 March 2017
- ◆ Richmondshire Area Committee - 22 March 2017

Resolved –

- (a) That the report is noted.
- (b) That the Executive Member note the petition received by Craven Area Committee seeking a reduction of the speed limited on Gargrave Road to 20 mph to address the road traffic issues and to find sustainable solutions to school transport and parking, and the actions proposed to address the matter.
- (c) That the concerns raised by Richmondshire Area Committee regarding the reconfiguration of the Library Service are noted.
- (c) That the Executive Member ascertain the latest position concerning the experimental road layout at Quakers Lane on behalf of Richmondshire Area Committee.

226. Joint Working with Health in Scarborough and Ryedale: Proposed partnership agreement under Section 75 National Health Service 2006

Considered –

A report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Legal and Democratic Services) seeking approval to commence a consultation exercise on the terms of a partnership agreement between the County Council and NHS Scarborough and Ryedale Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG).

County Councillor Clare Wood advised that there is a genuine desire to explore opportunities to work more closely with all Clinical Commissioning Groups in North Yorkshire, to seek the best possible outcomes for residents and patients. She reminded Members of the work which has been progressing with Scarborough and Ryedale CCG involving discussions on joint commissioning and potential pooling of funds. She advised that both organisations now wish to consult on formalising their agreement, putting in place strong governance arrangements to ensure sound decision making in the future. She explained the proposal to go out to consult for six weeks on a proposed Section 75 partnership agreement with the CCG, with a follow-up report to the Executive during the summer, to consider the responses from the public and to make a final decision on the Section 75.

County Councillor Clare Wood advised that the partnership agreement, specific to Scarborough and Ryedale, will provide a joint overview of all out of hospital care provided by NYCC and the CCG, valued at £90 to £100 million. It was noted that a joint commissioning strategy and Commissioning Board will be developed to support delivery and it is proposed to have one relatively small £100k pooled budget under this agreement, named an Innovation Fund. She stressed that the existing process of decision making within the Council will not be affected by the agreement - the County Council will remain statutorily accountable and responsible for delivering all its services. She felt that this as a natural progression to deliver a partnership which will be advantageous for all the people of North Yorkshire.

Barry Khan, Assistant Chief Executive (Legal and Democratic Services) advised that the Section 75 Agreement is desirable to facilitate partnership working between the County Council and CCG. He confirmed that much good work had been undertaken to date and a shared vision has been established. The next stage is to consult on the Section 75 Agreement. Barry Khan noted that the agreement excludes the existing CCG procurement. He also advised of the necessity for ethical walls involving the separation of the roles of commissioner and provider representatives.

County Councillor Chris Metcalfe stated that he is very supportive of the proposals, highlighting paragraph 2.7 of the report and explaining that the agreement provides the vehicle for enabling wider discussion and collaboration. He wished to know what improved outcomes service users would see in future as a result of this proposal. Richard Webb, Corporate Director - Health and Adult Services responded, whilst being mindful of the ethical walls. He concurred that this represents a great opportunity to join up services across Scarborough and Ryedale for the benefit of local people. He stated that it will provide the opportunity to influence outcomes to make better use NHS resources. He confirmed that the new relationship should work better and ultimately enable people to remain independent and stay longer in their own home. He also noted that better mental health services should be delivered as a result of this partnership.

Resolved –

That the commencement of a consultation exercise on the proposed Partnership Agreement is agreed and consideration of the actual decision to enter into any future Partnership Agreement at a future meeting is noted.

**The following report was considered in private and the public have no right of access.
Minute 227 is a public summary of business conducted in private.**

At this point in the meeting the commissioner representatives Richard Flinton, Chief Executive, Gary Fielding, Corporate Director - Strategic Resources and Barry Khan, Assistant Chief Executive (Legal and Democratic Services) left the room to comply with the ethical walls requirement. Also at this point Catriona Gatrell, Head of Legal (Corporate Services) joined the meeting a legal representative for the provider side.

227. Scarborough and Ryedale Integrated Prevention, Community Care and Support Service

Considered –

A report of the Corporate Director - Health and Adult Services and the Assistant Chief Executive (Business Support) providing a summary of Scarborough and Ryedale Clinical Commissioning Group's process for the commissioning of a Multi-speciality Community Provider (MCP) for Integrated Prevention, Community Care and Support Service, seeking approval for a potential response from NYCC and partners.

The report was considered and debated in the absence of the public, and officers associated with commissioning.

Resolved –

That the five recommendations in the report are agreed.

228. Intermediate Care Provision in Extra Care

Considered –

A report of the Corporate Director - Health and Adult Services updating on the delivery of intermediate care provision in extra care facilities across the county, detailing the relationships that have been forged in developing the model and the significant progress made to integrate service delivery across health and social care.

County Councillor Clare Wood advised that the report provides an update on the progress made in achieving the vision of delivering immediate care provision in Extra Care schemes. This was previously outlined and approved as part of the original business case for Extra Care presented to the Executive on 19 August 2014. The proposed approach enables people who are in need of additional support either to prevent a hospital admission or to enable a timely hospital discharge to remain or return to their own community, often known as step up, step down beds. Reducing the need for travel and offering valuable local services in line with the vision of Extra Care. The pilot which is currently underway in the Hambleton and Richmondshire localities currently offers seven units of accommodation across four Extra Care sites and one unit of accommodation in a NYCC elderly persons home. All of the provision, including the care and support costs, are fully funded by the CCG and provide additional income to the County Council where it is the provider. The delivery of this model - of set up step down provision - also enabled the Council to be instrumental in delivering replacement health and social care services closer to people's homes when Hambleton Richmondshire and Whitby CCG made the decision to re-provide the services that were previously provided from the Lambert Hospital in Thirsk.

County Councillor Clare Wood believes that the delivery of these services is in line with the original vision as agreed in the original Extra Care business case; and she said she fully supports the expansion of this model countywide and commended the proposals to Members.

County Councillor Gareth Dadd was pleased to see the proactive approach proposed, particularly following the South Tees action which led to the closure of the Lambert Hospital in Thirsk. He noted that the alternative provision is now in place and it is hoped that this will include provision for palliative care beds. He was pleased to see the proposal

to adopt the approach countywide, acknowledging the importance of the provision of services closer to home. He reiterated the importance of closer working and integration, the primary objective being the delivery of improved services for the public.

County Councillor Carl Les welcomed the report which he said addresses the gap between hospital and nursing care, and he congratulated officers on the development of the scheme.

Resolved –

- (a) The contents of this report and the progress made to date in fulfilling the requirements for the Care and Support Where I live Strategy and the Business Case for the North Yorkshire Extra Care Housing Regeneration Programme are noted.
- (b) That the use of Extra Care Provision for intermediate care should extend beyond the 12 month initial pilot and be expanded throughout Extra Care Provision as per the authorisations already made within the Business Case for the North Yorkshire Extra Care Housing Regeneration Programme is agreed.
- (c) That licences or leases be taken of residential accommodation in extra care facilities within North Yorkshire to facilitate the provision of intermediate care, on terms to be agreed in accordance with the Property Procedure Rules, but to include the requirement for the contemporaneous signing of Section 256 agreements with the CCGs for them to cover the property related costs under the licences or leases and for the licences or leases to be of the same length as and co-terminable with the agreements.

229. Funding of Community Pharmacies - Response of the Scrutiny of Health Committee to the Motion at County Council on 9 November 2016

Considered –

A report of the Scrutiny Team Leader providing the response of the North Yorkshire Scrutiny of Health Committee to the Notice of Motion on funding of community pharmacies which was put to County Council on 9 November 2016 including recommendations that the North Yorkshire Scrutiny of Health Committee maintains a watching brief and works with Public Health and others to better understand the potential impact of the reductions in funding.

County Councillor David Chance advised that this issue had been referred to the Scrutiny of Health Committee and the matter had been considered at the Committee's mid-cycle briefing on 16 December. He noted that the Chief Executive of Community Pharmacy North Yorkshire had attended and delivered a presentation explaining the potential impacts of the Government's funding changes. The recommendations from that meeting are to be reported back to County Council on 17 May 2017.

Daniel Harry, Team Leader Scrutiny, emphasised the key role that Community Pharmacies can play in helping reduce the pressure on GPs, and the desire of the Scrutiny of Health Committee to maintain a watching brief going forward and to work with Public Health and other agencies to consider the impact of the changes.

County Councillor Chris Metcalfe supported the work undertaken by the Scrutiny of Health Committee and acknowledged the concern which led to the motion being tabled in the first instance; he supported the recommendations.

Resolved –

- (a) That the North Yorkshire Scrutiny of Health Committee maintains a watching brief on the impact of Government reductions to community pharmacy funding over the next two years, with regular updates to the Scrutiny of Health.
- (b) That the North Yorkshire Scrutiny of Health Committee works with Public Health and other agencies and organisations to consider ways in which the potential impact of the reductions in funding can be better understood, in particular:
 - ◆ The impact upon GPs and A&E.
 - ◆ The impact upon vulnerable people.
 - ◆ The impact upon people living in the more deprived areas of the county.
- (c) That the Executive report back to County Council on this issue at the next meeting on 17 May 2017.

230. Audit of Outside Bodies

Considered –

A report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Legal and Democratic Services) reporting the outcome of an audit of the outside bodies on which the County Council is represented, as listed in the County Council's Constitution, and presenting consequent amendments to the list for consideration.

County Councillor David Chance introduced the report explaining that the audit is undertaken every four years prior to the County Council Election. It is an administrative exercise to ensure that the information is accurate in readiness for appointments to be made following the Election. He highlighted the changes to be made set out at paragraphs 2.1 to 2.5. He also highlighted an addendum to the report which had been circulated advising of an addition relating to Citizens Advice Hambleton, Richmondshire and Selby, with a further recommendation that one representative from the County Council is appointed in future rather than three, and that the appointment is re-categorised as one to which the Executive appoints. (Currently three Area Committees appoint to three seats, but now the number of the seats is reduced to one, and there is no mechanism whereby three Area Committees may jointly appoint one Member.)

Resolved –

- (a) That it be recommended to County Council 17 May 2017 that the list of outside bodies in the County Council's Constitution be amended as set out in paragraphs 2.1 to 2.5 of the report, and in (b) below;
- (b) That Citizens Advice Hambleton, Richmondshire and Selby is included within the list of outside bodies within the County Council's Constitution with one seat – the appointment to be made by the Executive in future.

231. Forward Work Programme

The Forward Plan for period 1 March 2017 to 31 March 2017 was presented.

Resolved –

The forward work programme is noted.

The meeting concluded at 11.45 am.

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