

Health Improvement Board Meeting
Housing-related support proposals

Monday 20th October 2014, 9.30-11 am,
Oxford Spires Four Pillars Hotel

Summary notes of the meeting

1. Welcome by Chairman, District Councillor Mark Booty

Apologies for Absence and Temporary Appointments

Declarations of Interest – see guidance notes attached

The Chairman, Councillor Mark Booty, welcomed all to the meeting.

In attendance: Councillor Mark Booty; Councillor Ed Turner; Councillor Anna Badcock; Councillor Alison Thomson; Paul McGough; Jackie Wilderspin; Val Johnson; Ian Bottomley; Marianne North; Natalia Lachkou; John Jackson; Councillor Judith Heathcoat; Kate Terroni; Stephen Czajewski; Councillor Scott Seamons; Dave Scholes; Shaibur Rahman; Phil Ealey; Melissa Cripps; Jaffa Holland; Lesley Sherratt; Sophie Kendall.

Apologies were received from: Councillor Hilary Hibbert-Biles; Jonathan McWilliam; David Etheridge; Dr Paul Park; Councillor George Reynolds; Ian Davies; Aziza Shafique; Councillor Debbie Pickford; Councillor Roger Cox; Chris Stratford.

2. Housing Related Support Consultation Report –

Introduction and discussion

Natalia Lachkou, Interim Commissioning Lead for Younger Adults

Natalia Lachkou introduced the report, outlining the consultation process and the responses received. The Board were informed that the final report will be made available on the Council website.

- **Housing related support services in Oxfordshire: Proposed way forward following the consultation –**

Introduction, discussion and decision

Natalia Lachkou, Interim Commissioning Lead for Younger Adults

Natalia Lachkou introduced each section of the paper, setting out the proposal going forward. The recommendations and points raised at each stage of the meeting are summarised below.

Section 2: Hostels

Recommendation to the Health and Wellbeing Board

The Chairman proposed to recommend to the Health and Wellbeing Board to take the amended proposal forward, but to note the detailed concerns documented in the minutes of this meeting. In particular

- Continued concerns about the reductions in available funding expressed by Oxford City Council.
- A proposed approach to joint commissioning in future.
- The welcome given to the proposed review of No Second Night Out.

Section 3: Move on accommodation

Recommendation to the Health and Wellbeing Board

The Chairman proposed to recommend to the Health and Wellbeing Board to take the amended proposal forward, but to note the detailed concerns documented in the minutes of this meeting. In particular

- West Oxfordshire asked for the provision of low-level support beds in move-on accommodation to be considered, in addition to the units proposed (in West Oxfordshire).

Section 4: Community Floating Support

Recommendation to the Health and Wellbeing Board

The Chairman proposed to recommend to the Health and Wellbeing Board to take the original proposal forward, but to note the detailed concerns documented in the minutes of this meeting. In particular

- The City Council values this service and is prepared to offer funding accordingly, if this can also be offered by all the Districts and the County Council can maintain its level of funding.
- As the concern about the level of reductions in this area is the shared by all the Districts and other partners, a conversation about how funding might be provided should take place at the Health Improvement Board where all the Districts and the County are represented.
- Regular updates on the development of the service model and the commissioning process should also be discussed at the Health Improvement Board.
- Cherwell propose exploring the option of moving money away from the hostels and towards floating support. Oxford City Council did not support this.

Section 5: Substance Misuse Services

All Districts accepted this proposal going forward.

Recommendation to the Health and Wellbeing Board

The Chairman proposed to recommend to the Health and Wellbeing Board to take the original proposal forward, but to note that clarification of the proposal was required.

Section 6: Domestic Abuse Services

The Chairman proposed to recommend to the Health and Wellbeing Board to take the original proposal forward

- with the addition of requesting a full timetable for the domestic abuse review to be available at the H&WB meeting in November.

Section 7: Overall balance of reduction in funding

Section 8: Social and Community Impact Assessment

In addition to outlining the proposals, Natalia Lachkou informed the Board that it is planned to make the **next version of the Social and Community Impact Assessment available for the Health and Wellbeing Board in November**. This was agreed.

Section 1 (principles and outcomes) and overall comments on the proposed way forward

Oxford City Council

Councillor Ed Turner added the following points:

- There is a general question about the next financial year and timescales. Oxford City recommends that the Health and Wellbeing Board addresses this
- The Health Improvement Board should monitor the impact very carefully.
- With pressures increasing, Oxford City does not support a reduction in hostel beds to reallocate resources towards floating support. Both services are needed.
- Whilst Oxford City has engaged positively in the consultation process and will continue to work with partners to minimise the impact of the reductions, it retains the view that the overall budget is not adequate.

West Oxfordshire District Council

Lesley Sherratt made the point on behalf of West Oxfordshire that the assurances about monitoring the impact as the changes come into effect need to be kept.

Cherwell District Council

Marianne North made the following points:

- Cherwell welcomes the additional resources allocated to them.
- Cherwell has contributed many of its own resources to address the shortfall.
- Cherwell will continue to work with all stakeholders to ensure the impact of the reductions is minimised.

South Oxfordshire and the Vale of the White Horse District Councils

Phil Ealey made the following points on behalf of both Councils:

- The changes to the proposals in light of the consultation responses are welcomed.
- They will work with the other Districts to minimise the impact of the funding reductions.
- The Health Improvement Board is a good forum for taking this partnership-working and joined-up thinking forward, with elected representation from across the Districts.

The comments on the overall principles and proposals were noted.

3. Decision on recommendation to the Health and Wellbeing Board, which will have input into the final decision of the County Council Cabinet.

The Health Improvement Board recommends the Health and Wellbeing Board to accept the proposed way forward, but to also note the summary of its discussion where more detailed concerns were raised and actions committed to.

4. Next steps and close

John Jackson proposed the following:

- ***Councillor Mark Booty will present the outcome of this discussion at the Health and Wellbeing Board.***
- ***The Health Improvement Board will be involved in the re-commissioning of community floating support and the domestic abuse review. These items will be added to the forward plan.***
- ***Transition arrangements will be discussed at the Housing Support Advisory Group in the first instance, and will be escalated to the Health Improvement Board where necessary or appropriate.***

These proposals were accepted.

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