



## **Minutes of the Health Scrutiny Board**

**3 December 2014**

**-: Present :-**

Councillor Davies (Chairman)

Councillors Brooksbank, Doggett, Faulkner (A), Hernandez, Hytche and Kingscote

(Also in attendance: Councillor Lewis)

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### **6. Councillor Jeanette Richards**

The Chairman announced that Councillor Jeanette Richards had passed away the previous day and a minutes' silence was observed as a mark of respect.

### **7. Apologies**

It was reported that, in accordance with the wishes of the Conservative Group, the membership of the Board had been amended to include Councillor Brooksbank in place of Councillor Bent.

Apologies for absence were also received from Councillor Thomas (J).

### **8. Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting of the Board held on 26 June 2014 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

### **9. Integrated Care Organisation**

Dr John Lowes, Interim Chief Executive of South Devon Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust attended the meeting and provided an update on the progress of the acquisition of the Torbay and Southern Devon Health and Care NHS Trust to form an integrated care organisation.

He informed the Board that the Foundation Trust were working towards the end of Stage 2 of a four stage process with Monitor. Given that Stage 4 involved sign-off by the Secretary of State, it was noted that it was not yet known when this would take place given the General Election scheduled to take place in May 2015. However, the Board were reassured that the proposed acquisition had cross party support at a national and local level.

Board members and the representative from Healthwatch Torbay highlighted the need for the whole community to understand how the new organisation would

function and that the terminology used and, ultimately, the name of the new organisation should be as “user-friendly” as possible.

(**Note:** Prior to consideration of the item in Minute 9, Councillor Faulkner (A) declared a non-pecuniary interest as a Governor of Wonford Hospital.)

**10. Living Well at Home Contract**

The Board received an update on the current position in relation to the Living Well @ Home contract.

(**Note:** Prior to consideration of the item in Minute 10 the press and public were formally excluded from the meeting on the grounds that the item involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).)

**11. Brixham Hospital Re-development**

The Board considered a report on the redevelopment of Brixham Hospital and the St Kilda Integrated Care Facility. The report included the Outline Business Case for the proposal.

(**Note:** Prior to consideration of the item in Minute 13, Councillor Kingscote declared a non-pecuniary interest as Chairman of the Development Management Committee.)

**12. Learning Disability Review**

The Board received an update on the implementation of the Commissioning Strategy for People with Learning Disabilities. It was noted that it was proposed that the Torquay Community Resource Centre close in March 2015 and that a Community Interest Company be established to deliver Learning Disability Day Services in Torbay.

Representatives of Speaking Out in Torbay and Healthwatch Torbay attended the meeting and shared their views on the proposals.

Chairman

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