

Minutes of the Overview and Scrutiny Board

15 March 2017

-: Present :-

Councillor Lewis (C) (Chairman)

Councillors Barnby, Bye, Doggett, Lewis (B), Stockman, Stocks, Thomas (D) and Tyerman

(Also in attendance: Councillors Brooks, Darling (S), Ellery, Haddock, King, Manning, Morey, Parrott and Sanders)

71. Apologies

It was reported that, in accordance with the wishes of the Conservative Group, the membership of the Board had been amended to include Councillors Lewis (B) and Thomas (D) in place of Councillors Bent and Tolchard, respectively.

72. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of the Board held on 15 February 2017 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

73. Community Services Reconfiguration

Representatives from the South Devon and Torbay Clinical Commissioning Group (the CCG) and Torbay and South Devon NHS Foundation Trust (the Trust) attended the meeting and provided an update on how the decision of the CCG in relation to the reconfiguration of community services was being implemented by the Trust.

The Board was reminded that the CCG and the Trust had made assurances during the consultation process that changes would not be made to existing services until the new provision was in place and was operating at a level where there was confidence that demand could be met. It was noted that the parameters had been met for the removal of beds and community and specialist out-patient clinics from community hospitals. The parameters had not yet been met in order for minor injury units to be removed from community hospitals.

Two members of the public addressed the Board.

The Board raised a number of questions with the CCG and Trust around admissions to Paignton Hospital, the make up of the Multi Disciplinary Teams making up the health and wellbeing teams in each locality, assessments of health and social care needs and the location of the clinical hubs and health and wellbeing centres. **Resolved:** that the Board note the report and understand the implementation plan, as much as possible; however the Overview and Scrutiny Board still have concerns and as such suggest that ongoing monitoring continues through Council representation on the local implementation groups with feedback being provided to the Overview and Scrutiny Briefings.

74. Exclusion of press and public

Prior to consideration of the items in Minute 75, 76 and 77, 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).)

75. Masterplans - Town Centre Regeneration

The Board considered a draft report which was due to be considered by the Council at its meeting to be held on 6 April 2017 which set out the proposed Transformation Strategy for Torbay's town centres.

Resolved: that a revised report be prepared for consideration at the meeting of the Council in April 2017 which:

(i) sets out more specific proposals on how town centre regeneration will be delivered (including the phasing of and rationale for the proposed projects);

(ii) includes a proposal to fund the delivery of the programme of town centre regeneration (potentially through the use of prudential borrowing); and

(iii) provides a mandate to the Chief Executive to progress the town centre regeneration programme at pace and scale.

76. Lease for Football Ground at Plainmoor

The Board received an update from the Executive Head – Business Services on the current position in relation to the lease of the football ground at Plainmoor, Torquay.

Resolved: that the Mayor be requested to present a full report to the Overview and Scrutiny Board before any decision is made in relation to the lease of the football ground at Plainmoor, Torquay.

77. Leases to Torbay Coast & Countryside Trust

The Board received an update from the Executive Head – Business Services on the current position in relation to the Council's leases with Torbay Coast and Countryside Trust.

Resolved: that members of the Board receive a further update in the coming weeks ahead of any decision by the Mayor.

(**Note:** Prior to consideration of the item in Minute 77, Councillor Tyerman declared a personal, prejudicial interest and withdrew from the meeting.)

Chairman