

BRIGHTON & HOVE CITY COUNCIL

JOINT COMMISSIONING BOARD

5.00PM – 18 JANUARY 2006

HOVE TOWN HALL

MINUTES

Brighton & Hove Council Representatives:

Present: Councillor Meadows (Chair); Councillors Morgan, Mrs Norman (OS), Older, Pennington and Williams.

Brighton and Hove City Primary Care Trust Representatives:

Present: Jean Spray (Vice-Chair), Judith Corcho, Michael Evans and Janice Robinson.

All decisions minuted below were agreed by Brighton & Hove City Council's Adult Social Care and Health Committee, acting as the Council's Committee which forms the Council part of the Joint Commissioning Board.

All decisions minuted below were agreed by the above representatives of the Brighton & Hove City Primary Care Trust Board, acting as a sub-committee of the Trust, which forms the Brighton and Hove City Primary Care Trust part of the Joint Commissioning Board.

PART ONE

ACTION

14. PROCEDURAL BUSINESS

14A. Declarations of Substitutes

14.1 There were no substitutes.

14B. Declarations of Interest

14.2 Councillor Williams declared a personal but not prejudicial interest in items relating to mental health, as he was the council's representative on the Trustees Board of MIND, the mental health charity. Councillor Older declared a personal but not prejudicial interest in items relating to mental health as she was on the committee of the Alzheimer's Society.

14C. Exclusion of Press and Public

14.3 The Committee considered whether the press and public should be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of any items contained in the agenda, having regard to the nature of the business to be transacted and the nature of the proceedings and the likelihood as to whether, if members of the press and public were present, there would be disclosure to them of confidential or exempt information as defined in Section 100A(3) or 100 1 of the Local Government Act 1972.

14.4 **RESOLVED** - That the press and public not be excluded from the meeting during consideration of any items.

15. MINUTES

15.1 **RESOLVED** - That the minutes of the meeting held on 26 September 2005 be approved and signed by the Chair.

16. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

16.1 There were no public questions.

17. PERFORMANCE REPORT

17.1 The Board considered a report of the Primary Care Trust Director of Finance and Performance Management, which presented the latest forecast of the financial outturn and performance based upon the Month 8 reports.

17.2 Members were informed that it would be necessary to arrange an extra meeting of the Joint Commissioning Board in March to consider a report on the budget, prior to the new financial year.

17.3 **RESOLVED** – (1) That the contents of the report be noted.

(2) That an extra meeting of the Joint Commissioning Board be arranged in March 2006 to consider a report on the budget.

18. CONSULTATION FEEDBACK ON UPDATED DRAFT COMMISSIONING STRATEGY FOR LEARNING DISABILITIES 2005-2009/10

18.1 The Board considered a report of the Director of Housing and City Support concerning the outcome of the consultation on the updated Draft Commissioning Strategy for Learning Disabilities 2005-2009/10 (see minute book). The formal 12 week consultation process was concluded on 11 January 2006. Views on the strategy were sought through a questionnaire, focus groups and individual meetings. In general, responses to the strategy were overwhelmingly

positive.

18.2 Reference was made to minute 9.3 of the Joint Commissioning Board meeting held on 26 September 2006, in relation to Councillor Taylor's comments about Asperger Syndrome. The Lead Commissioner for Learning Disabilities informed the Board that the definition of Asperger Syndrome in "Valuing People" A New Strategy for Learning Disability for the 21st Century (DoH March 2001) was set out in the commissioning strategy. Asperger Syndrome was not in itself a learning disability.

18.3 The Lead Commissioner for Learning Disabilities confirmed that Members were being asked to agree the strategy as a final document. Councillor Williams asked for it to be recorded that he would not be able to approve the document until it had been submitted to the Joint Commissioning Board.

18.4 The Director of Housing and City Support suggested that the final strategy document be submitted for information to the special meeting of the Joint Commissioning Board in March 2006.

18.5 **RESOLVED** – (1) That the Draft Commissioning Strategy for Learning Disabilities 2005 – 2009/10 be agreed as a final version.

Sarah Ford

(2) That continued actions to implement the Commissioning Strategy Action Plan as set out in Section 9, be agreed.

(3) That the final version of the commissioning strategy be submitted to the special meeting of the Joint Commissioning Board in March 2006, for information.

Note: Councillor Williams requested that his name be recorded as having voted against resolutions 1 and 2 above, as he felt unable to approve the strategy without seeing the final document.

19 INTERMEDIATE CARE SERVICE REVIEW

19.1 The Board considered a report of the Acting Assistant Director – Service Improvement that set out the Intermediate Care Service Review (see minute book). The aim of the findings of the report was to provide the information to commission an Intermediate Care Service fit for the future and that supported the key objectives within Best Care Best Place. This information would be used by the commissioners in a service specification and service level agreement that would take effect from 2006/07, and in a service improvement plan.

19.2 **RESOLVED** - (1) That the recommendations included in the Intermediate Care Service Review report be agreed.

Wendy Young

(2) That the Intermediate Care Service improvement action be agreed and that progress to date be noted.

20. SHAPING THE FUTURE RECONFIGURATION

20.1 The Board considered a report of the Lead Commissioner for Mental Health concerning developments relating to the Shaping the Future process and which sought ratification for the specific proposals with regards to service reconfiguration, and revisions to the Section 31 agreement (see minute book).

20.2 The Sussex Partnership Trust would become operational on 1 April 2006. The new organisation was created from a merger of East Sussex County Health Care NHS Trust, West Sussex Health and Social Care NHS Trust and the mental health, substance misuse and specialist learning disability services from South Downs Health NHS Trust.

20.3 The Lead Commissioner for Mental Health stressed that it would be necessary to revise the Section 31 arrangements to take account of the Shaping the Future reconfiguration. The Director of Housing and City Support informed the Board that a report on the variation to the Section 31 arrangements would be submitted to the special Board meeting in March 2006 and to the next Integrated Services Board meeting.

20.4 **RESOLVED** - (1) That the contents of the report be noted.

Andy Porter

(2) That the specific proposals with regards to service reconfiguration be ratified as detailed in section 4 of the report.

Note : Councillor Williams requested that his name be recorded as having voted against recommendation (2) above as he could not support the proposal for creation of the Sussex Partnership Trust, and had concerns relating to the secondment of staff, the future of South Downs Health NHS Trust and the equalities implications of the new arrangements as he considered that the service users of the city were different to the remainder of Sussex.

21. DEVELOPMENT OF WESTBOURNE HOSPITAL SITE

21.1 The Board considered a report of the Director of Housing and City Support concerning the stakeholder consultation undertaken regarding the proposed development of the Westbourne Hospital site. The report sought approval to commence similar consultation with stakeholders at the 11 Hawkhurst Road group home (see minute book).

21.2 It was confirmed that a planning application had not yet been submitted.

21.3 **RESOLVED** – (1) That the results of stakeholder consultation in respect of Pioneer House and the Westbourne Hospital site be noted.

Sarah Ford

(2) That it be noted that the additional revenue cost of the scheme was £42,000, due to the loss of lease income on the Westbourne site.

(3) That the submission of a report to the Policy and Resources Committee to recommend the transfer of Pioneer House and the Westbourne Hospital site to Downland Housing Association be approved in principle (subject to determining Heads of Terms and obtaining appropriate consents).

(4) That it be approved that consultation commence with all stakeholders affected by the proposal at 11 Hawkhurst Road, including service users, their families and carers.

(5) That it be noted that Policy and Resources Committee will be asked to approve the transfer of 11 Hawkhurst Road subject to the outcome of the consultation and the approval of the Joint Commissioning Board and Adult Social Care and Health Committee.

Note: Councillors Older and Pennington did not vote or take part in the discussion on this item as they are both members of the Planning Applications Sub-Committee.

22. INDEPENDENT SECTOR CARE HOME FEE INCREASES 2006/07

22.1 The Board considered a report of the Director of Community Care which sought approval for proposed fee increases for independent sector care homes providing services for older people, older people with mental health needs, and other categories of care on behalf of the council (see minute book).

22.2 **RESOLVED** – That approval is granted for the fee increases for care homes/care homes with nursing for older people with mental health needs as set out in paragraph 4 and in Appendix 1 & 2 of the report.

23. PART TWO MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD HELD ON 26 SEPTEMBER 2006 – EXEMPT CATEGORIES 9 & 11

23.1 **RESOLVED** – That the Part Two minutes of the meeting held on 26 September 2005 be approved and signed by the Chair.

The meeting concluded at 6.24 p.m.

Signed

Chair

Dated this

day of

2006