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HEALTH POLICY AND PERFORMANCE BOARD

At a meeting of the Health Policy and Performance Board held on Tuesday, 13 December 2016 at Council Chamber, Runcorn Town Hall

Present: Councillors J. Lowe (Chair), Osborne (Vice-Chair), S. Baker, M. Bradshaw, Dennett, Horabin, Parker and Sinnott

Apologies for Absence: Councillor E. Cargill, C. Gerrard and M. Lloyd Jones

Absence declared on Council business: None

Officers present: S. Wallace-Bonner, A. Jones, D. Nolan and L Wilson

Also in attendance: D. Sweeney and S. Banks – NHS Halton CCG, Mr F. Finley, Dr D. Watson and A. Ryan – 5 Boroughs Partnership NHS Trust

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HEA29 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

It was confirmed that no public questions had been received.

HEA30 OLDER PEOPLES MENTAL HEALTH & DEMENTIA CARE

The Board received a presentation from Angela Ryan, Assistant Director for Halton 5 Boroughs Partnership NHS Foundation Trust, which provided Members with an update in relation to the consultation of the proposal for the re-provision of organic inpatient beds for later life and memory services. She was accompanied by Dr David Watson and Mr Frank Finley, also from 5 Boroughs Partnership NHS Foundation Trust.

The meeting was called to address the concerns that the Board had raised at the previous Health Policy and Performance Board, held on 20 September 2016. The report that was presented at this meeting was attached at Appendix 1.

The presentation outlined: what the proposed change was and the reasons for the change; the key messages in

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relation to later life and memory services; the facilities at Atherleigh Park; and the next steps following consultation and feedback. Feedback from the consultation process was not yet available as it was still open until 30 December 2016; however it was reported that 89 questionnaires had been received so far. Members were presented with a copy of the consultation documents which included information on the Care Home Liaison Service and the Knowsley and Halton Admiral Nurse Service, which were outlined in the presentation.

Members' concerns that were raised at the last meeting were addressed during the presentation and assurances were provided to the Board in respect of these as follows:

- The overall bed base at the Brooker Centre would remain and improvements would be made to the environment of the inpatient ward, which would be used for mental health patients with complex needs;
- Patients, carers and their families would be supported with their transport requirements to Atherleigh Park from both Runcorn and Widnes; and
- The care navigator role would remain in place for the duration of the patient's intervention to support the multi-disciplinary professionals involved in the patients care, eg. Social Workers.

At the conclusion of the meeting Members requested that the Halton 5 Boroughs Partnership NHS Foundation Trust be invited back in 12 months' time to present an update on progress made and outcomes to date. This was noted and agreed.

RESOLVED: That the Board notes the presentation on Halton's later life and memory service and consultation results update and supports the proposed bed based model, pending the result of the consultation process.

Meeting ended at 7.20 p.m.