

APPENDIX 1

MINUTES OF THE MEETING held on 16 July 2009

Present: Fiona Johnstone (Chair)

Stuart Baxter
Glenda Cave
Dwayne Johnson
Eugene Lavan
Dave Sweeney
Jane Trevor
Karen Tonge

By invitation: David Hall

In Support: Elaine Skelland

		ACTION			
1.	Apologies				
	Cllr Ellen Cargill, Melissa Critchley, John Kelly, Diane Lloyd, Eileen O'Meara, Jim Wilson				
2.	Minutes of the previous meeting				
	These were agreed as a correct record with the following amendments:				
	Eugene Lavan was present at the meeting on 21 May. Page 2 - The work that Laura Neilson is undertaking is in its infancy.				
3.	Matters Arising:				
	7. Evidence is being reviewed against CAA key findings. Dwayne Johnso reported that a timetable had been produced to identify concerns - teenage pregnancy, health inequalities.				
4.	Community Feedback:				
	Karen Tonge reported upon the following:				
	 LINKs Annual Report required to include the set up and work on health and community care forum. 				
	 HVA - Seminar to be held on flu pandemics. A contingency plan has been developed which has raised some concerns in reporting sickness of volunteers and those taking antivirals. Fiona Johnstone reported 				
	that this links with voluntary services through the local authority and she agreed to contact Jan Archer to try to discover from where the recommendations had arisen.	FJ			
	 Petitions regarding saving the NHS had been displayed in the market 				
	and Grangeway Post office. As no one in the group was aware of any such petitions, Stuart Baxter agreed to follow this up.	SB			



Fiona Johnstone thanked Karen Tonge for her report.

5, Transport Study Results/Feedback

Fiona Johnstone welcomed David Hall to the meeting. David Hall reported that funding had been allocated to carry out the accessible transport study. He confirmed that this was still in the consultation phase and that an action plan had been prepared. The study had looked into gaps in the supplies of accessible transport together with demand change. Studies were made of the current supply and the demographics. The key findings showed a growth in demand by 2011 and that half the borough is using the services. The action plan produced highlights the need for better coordination and more investment and a proposal for joint commissioning of transport services with a closer link to the PCT.

Glenda Cave advised the group that Cllr Cargill had asked that the following comments be noted. She felt that the initiative would benefit carers, the elderly and disabled but should also help the environment as those who use cars and taxis could travel on the bus.

Dwayne Johnson raised the issue of qualitative access and asked if any comments had been made. He acknowledged that older people were critical of the dial a ride service. It was also felt that the personal agenda of 30% of people going through social services should be factored into the report. David Hall reported that there was an awareness of capacity issues with Halton Community Transport and the door to door service but that it was intended to migrate the picking up procedure to a contact centre.

Eugene Lavan advised the group of the short term improvement partnerships being developed, one of which is focussing upon screening and early detection of major diseases in conjunction with Halton Hospital. He felt that there was some assurance that people will attend their appoints with access to accessible transport.

Fiona Johnstone raised the issue within the policy findings that half of the eligible residents are using the transport but that no information had been received to outline why other residents are not using these services. She felt this question should be asked, investigations made and these included in the report. She further added that, should these services be jointly commissioned, the flexible use of community transport is critical.

Karen Tonge felt that community groups should be informed of the age eligibility and that this could be done via the HVA newsletter.

Fiona Johnstone thanked David Hall for the report.

7. Commissioning Group Feedback:

Dave Sweeney reported upon the meetings held by the group and that discussions had been held on how to utilise the under-spend. He reported that both SLAs were ready to be signed off and implemented for teenage pregnancy and dementia. He highlighted that the TOR had been developed to form a dynamic commissioning group. A review had been undertaken of the WNF projects which could be moved on and capital freed. The criteria used

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was for those groups which had been funded for five years or more. Areas identified were as follows:

- Dietetic and exercise intervention programme this to be fitted into the obesity provision within the CSP. Eileen O'Meara is checking on this.
- Reach for the Stars Complimentary Therapies this to be aligned with depression. Lynn Marsden to undertake this project.
- Information out reach service Mark Holt is reviewing this area for possible psychological interventions and inclusion into the depression project.

Dwayne Johnson asked if the hard to reach members of the community were being targeted. Dave Sweeney advised the group that smaller community groups could be offered extra support following the release of the above projects. The Halton Health Partnership Group agreed to move forward with these proposals. A request was made to include bullet points of the outcomes in the next report.

6. Performance Monitoring:

Fiona Johnstone advised the group that some consideration needs to be given to the timing of these meetings so that they are aligned with performance information being available.

Glenda Cave advised the group that she had hoped to bring Quarter 1 return to the meeting but that this information had not been available in time. She agreed to circulate this information before the next meeting.

<u>Finance Project Update</u>: Glenda Cave advised the group that monitoring is continuing and that claims will be submitted for teenage pregnancy and dementia in Quarter 1. She further reported that not a great deal of expenditure had been noted in the Quarter 1 return as this information is only due today or tomorrow therefore there are no claims against the activities. More information will be available for the next meeting. A summary of activities had been provided. She reported that she had been advised by Lynn Williams that the coordinator of the voluntary sector counselling support project is employed for 28 hours per week and not 18 as stated in the report.

<u>Performance Sub Group 8 July</u>: Glenda Cave reported that a review had been undertaken of the indicators detailed on the summary sheet, looking at actual numbers behind the percentage figures to make this more meaningful. Further liaison to be held with Diane Lloyd and Jim Wilson. No issues or concerns had been raised.

8. Health Inequalities Presentation

Jane Trevor introduced Jan Holding to the group and advised that she felt the presentation appropriate to highlight why the conference had been arranged, the benefits and outcomes.

Jan Holding circulated copies of the presentation to the group and highlighted:

 That a large public debate had been held. People invited from across the communities affected by health inequalities and local speakers also invited.



- Warrington PCT is a spearhead PCT
- Women's health worse than men's health within the town.
- Warrington in the top 20% of most affluent and top 10% of most deprived.
- Conclusion reached that there is a need to raise aspirations and a meeting held after the event for lead facilitators and commissioners who have agreed to work to cultivate aspirations.
- It is hoped to have a similar event next year to see if any movement has been achieved.

Fiona Johnstone commented upon the similarities in what is happening in Warrington to those occurring in Halton and St Helens and referred to the strong commissioning links around Warrington Hospital. In response to a query raised by Fiona Johnstone, Jan Holding advised the group that, in order to try to achieve the targets, strong neighbourhood work is being undertaken together with community engagement and using those people who are skilled in talking to communities. She also advised that the health improvement team work closely with community engagement officers.

Fiona Johnstone proposed a review of the activities undertaken during the past year, Ambition for Health, Health Summit, engagement around CSP and felt that it would be timely to have a follow up summit to highlight the work undertaken and the achievements made. Dwayne Johnson proposed a link with Nick Mannion as the neighbourhood lead. Fiona Johnstone proposed that a list of the work undertaken be produced for the next meeting so that the group can define what format the events should take.

Stuart Baxter reported upon an away day he had attended on maximising people in the community. Fiona Johnstone felt that a community health gain schedule is required and Dwayne Johnson agreed to undertake this.

DJ

9. AOB

Diane Lloyd and Glenda Cave to try to ensure that next year's meeting are aligned to when information is available.

GC/DL

10. Date and time of next meeting: 10 am 17 September Conference Room 2 Municipal Building

Action Summary – previous meetings

Reference	On Whom	Action	Status / Update