
Report to
Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee

18th March 2009

Report of
Councillor H Johnson

Title
Report back on the work of outside bodies – Mental Health Partnership Board

1 Purpose of the Report

1.1 This reports sets out details of the work of Coventry Mental Health Partnership Board over the preceding twelve months and details of attendance by Elected Members on the Board.

2 Recommendations

2.1 It is recommended that the City Council continues to nominate two Elected Members to the Coventry Mental Health Partnership Board.

3 Information on Work of Outside Body – Background

3.1 The overall responsibility for the monitoring and commissioning of Adult Working Age Mental Health Services within Coventry lies with NHS Coventry and Coventry City Council.

3.2 In order to advise NHS Coventry and the City Council of the issues associated with the delivery of services, a Partnership Board, spanning the statutory agencies, non-statutory providers, users and carers has been established.

3.3 The role of the Partnership Board is to ensure that a prioritised, cohesive and co-ordinated approach is achieved to providing effective and efficient mental health services. The Board ensures that a process and system for feeding back and disseminating performance management information to NHS Coventry and the City Council is in place.

3.4 The following key areas have been discussed and actioned by the Partnership Board during 2008:

- Ratified completion of the annual Mental Health self-assessment process
- Supported a successful submission for national funding to Improve Access to Psychological Therapies
- Published the Mental Health and Well-being Strategy 2008 -2011
- Supported the creation of an independent user organisation called 'Actively Influencing Mental Health Services'
- Consulted upon the national programme 'Our NHS our future: NHS next stage review' led by Professor Lord Darzi

- Received feedback from user and carer forums
- Supported a range of events to celebrate World Mental Health Day
- Participated in a range of consultation processes
- Contributed to the development of Coventry Teaching Primary Care Trust Commissioning for Health Strategy Local Delivery Plan
- Initiated consultation events at the Mental Health User Forum on a range of topics such as:
 - Employment
 - Care Programme Approach
 - Computerised Cognitive Behavioural Therapy
 - Revision of Coventry's Carers Strategy

4 Benefits to the City Council of the Appointment

4.1 The City Council directly benefits from leading and having a strong presence on the Partnership Board by maintaining a focus upon the following:

- To promote the mental health and well-being of adult working age residents within Coventry
- To develop and agree the policy and strategy required to improve and deliver adult working age mental health services within Coventry, and to ensure a recovery model of service provision is adopted by all service providers
- To link with the development of policies and strategies required to deliver services to children and young people, and older adults with mental health needs
- To identify and recommend investment priorities for service change and development
- To provide clear commissioning recommendations to the NHS Coventry, Professional Executive Committee and Trust Board, Coventry City Council Cabinet and the services required to meet the agreed strategies, policies and priorities

5 Attendance Record and Remuneration for the Appointment

5.1 The attendance records for the City Council's nominees are set out below:

Councillor Dave Chater chairs the Mental Health Partnership Board in his role as Non-Executive Director of NHS Coventry. Councillor Heather Johnson is to take over as chair of the Mental Health Partnership Board as from May 2009.

Date of Meeting	In Attendance
11 February 2009	Councillor Dave Chater Councillor Heather Johnson Councillor Joe Clifford
17 December 2008	Councillor Heather Johnson
15 October 2008	Councillor Heather Johnson Councillor Joe Clifford
13 August 2008	Councillor Dave Chater Councillor Heather Johnson Councillor Joe Clifford
11 June 2008	Councillor Dave Chater Councillor Heather Johnson Councillor Joe Clifford
9 April 2008	Councillor Dave Chater
6 February 2008	Councillor Dave Chater Councillor Joe Clifford Councillor Shabbir Ahmed

5.2 There is no remuneration associated with the appointment.

List of background papers

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Mental Health and Well-being Strategy 2008 – 2011
Our NHS our future: NHS next stage review', Professor Lord Darzi

Christchurch House
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