

Strategic Advisory Board Meeting



Meeting:	Strategic Advisory Board
Date of meeting:	21st September 2022
Location:	Elm Room, Priory Campus, Pontefract Road, Lundwood
Board members present:	Adrian England (AE) – Chair Mark Smith (MS) – Vice Chair Tony Alcock (TA) Margaret Baker (MB) Christine Keys (CK)
Attendees:	Lesley Cooper (LC) – Healthwatch Manager Dani Vettors (DV) – Engagement Officer (Mental Health) Debbie Horne – Project Officer
Apologies:	Margaret Lindquist Ian Guest Wendy Hardcastle
1. Welcome and Introductions	AE welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. Declarations	Nothing new to declare.
3. Minutes from the previous meeting	Approved as a true record
4. Matters Arising	To be covered in meeting feedback
5. Managers/Staff Update	<p>New website now “live” looks much clearer and brighter than the previous one.</p> <p>We have been asked to provide a position statement to the Overview and Scrutiny panel by the beginning of November on Access to GP Services, following on from our report earlier in the year.</p> <p>Work is continuing with other Local Healthwatch in South Yorkshire on a Collaboration Agreement which we should be able to share a draft with the Board shortly.</p> <p>DV shared with the Board members some of the engagement work which had been taking place over the summer including building up relationships in the Dearne where DV now attends the Salvation Army Foodbank on a monthly basis. We have also been attending the Migration Drop-In which is held at Hope House, the drop-in is open every week and we have been attending on the last session of each month but there has been very little uptake on our</p>

	<p>service. DV and Chloe attended two “Fresher” events to connect with students and both were successful, the third session was unfortunately cancelled due to the Queens passing.</p> <p>We are currently working on a Hygiene Poverty event which we will be holding in the Glass Works Square on Friday 7th October – giving away free personal and household cleaning products and collecting resident views on hygiene poverty and its effect on physical and mental health.</p> <p>DH updated the Board members on the work that she has been involved in since starting at Healthwatch in June this included managing the social media accounts, helping set up the website and looking at the Quality Framework. MS offered DH support with policies and procedures for this piece of work.</p> <p>The Board members thanked the staff for attending and said how hearing from staff first-hand about the work they are doing really brings it to life. AE re-iterated that staff and volunteers are always welcome to attend the Board meetings and their input is always valued.</p>
6. Safeguarding	<p>MS gave an update from the Safeguarding Boards. Childrens Safeguarding Board have recently done a questionnaire regarding their meetings going forward. MS had worked with AE and LC on a response.</p> <p>The Independent Scrutineer, will shortly be leaving their post so this will leave a vacancy which go out for recruitment.</p> <p>The Adult Safeguarding Board is exploring options and looking at an electronic data transfer system.</p>
7. Barnsley Hospital	<p>Updates given by LC in ML's absence. ML had attended the Urgent and Emergency Care Board virtually and provided updates on the Winter Plan, Re-ablement programme and changes to the i-Heart Service.</p>
8. Primary Care	<p>No meetings have taken place as the CCG has now moved over to South Yorkshire NHS. Adrian raised residents are still having problems accessing face to face appointments with GP's and there are still a large number of residents who do not have access to the internet. Patient Council meetings have been a bit slow due to the Patient Reference Groups not meeting since Covid so there needs to be a re-launch of the service.</p>
9. Carers	<p>No updates to share</p>
10. Personalised Care	<p>No update as the meeting was cancelled.</p>

11. Mental Health	<p>MS updated the Board with regards to mental health services. We have been invited to assist SWYFT with their PLACE assessments which got delayed due to the national mourning period. The Mental Health Partnership will now include Learning Difficulties and Autism. IAPT are currently short on staff, as they are recruiting other staff are leaving so causing some delays. Mental Health Matters are also struggling to recruit staff for the new Safe Space hub in town Centre, there were reports of someone having to wait 8 hours for an ambulance on Saturday night. The location for the hub is not ideal, the building was previously used as a travel agents and has still got the same lay-out. It has large open windows at the front with no blinds and it looks straight out onto a taxi rank.</p>
12. NHS South Yorkshire	<p>AE gave an update on the ICB which is now set up along with PLACE delivery groups and the first meeting of the ICP (Integrated Care Partnership) will take place at the end of this month. Healthwatch will be represented on both the ICB and ICP and we will have our local presence on the Place Partnership. Wendy Lowder is the Barnsley Place Director on the ICB.</p>
13. Any Other Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LC has spoken with the IT company with regards to the new website and it is possible for us to have @healthwatchbarnsley.org.uk email addresses which will save a lot of confusion for staff. All emails to the @barnsleycvs email address will automatically be forwarded to the new email addresses. The Board unanimously agreed to change to the @healthwatchbarnsley.org.uk addresses as soon as it is practical. • LC spoke to Board Members regarding a resident who has requested our help with a social care complaint.
14. Time and Date of next meeting	<p>Wednesday 19th October 2022 at 11am venue to be confirmed.</p>