

Minutes of the meeting of the **SOUTH KENT COAST HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD** held at the Council Offices, Whitfield on Tuesday, 18 March 2014 at 4.05 pm.

Present:

Chairman: Dr J Chaudhuri (Vice-Chairman in the Chair)

Board: Ms K Benbow
Councillor P M Beresford
Councillor P G Heath
Councillor J Hollingsbee
Councillor G Lymer
Councillor M Lyons

Also Present: Councillor B W Bano

Officers: Chief Executive
Head of Leadership Support
Leadership Support Officer
Team Leader – Democratic Support

68 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor S S Chandler, Mr S Inett, Mr M Lobban, Ms J Mookherjee, Ms J Perfect and Councillor P A Watkins.

69 APPOINTMENT OF SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

In accordance with the Terms of Reference, Councillor P M Beresford and Ms J Frazer had been appointed as substitute members for Councillor P A Watkins (Dover District Council) and Mr M Lobban (Kent County Council) respectively.

70 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made by Members.

71 BETTER CARE FUND

Ms K Benbow (South Kent Coast Clinical Commissioning Group) presented the report on the Better Care Fund.

The Board was advised that the CCG intended for the Better Care Fund to support the delivery of the five year East Kent Strategic Plan and the CCG's own five year strategy. The strategy had a focus on the management of long terms conditions and the subsequent impact of these on the local health care infrastructure.

The key areas were:

- integrated teams with single access points;
- intermediate care services
- enhanced neighbourhood care teams and care co-ordination

- enhancing primary care services
- the use of telehealth technology to help patients
- the more efficient use of care homes to support patients
- the reduction of unnecessary hospital admissions
- falls management and prevention

The importance of the local hospital trust being fully engaged was emphasised and the Board welcomed the involvement of East Kent Hospitals University Foundation Trust in the working group that developed the Better Care Fund programme.

The Board discussed the benefits and challenges in any sharing of patient data and the need for co-ordinated multi-disciplinary working to treat the 'whole person' in cases of older people with multiple conditions rather than treating individual conditions.

In respect of the governance arrangements for the Better Care Fund which had yet to be finalised, the need for a pooled local fund was discussed as under the s.75 agreement (which came into effect in 2015/16) no one party controlled the funding. It was acknowledged that the Disability Facilities Grant funding would be passed directly to district councils.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted and endorsed.

72 URGENT BUSINESS ITEMS

There were no items of urgent business.

The meeting ended at 4.52 pm.