

HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

6 MARCH 2024

PRESENT

Councillors: D Butt (Chair), S. Taylor (Vice Chair), J. Axford, K. Chakraborty, S. Gilbert, B. Hartley, J. Leicester, S. Lepori, S. Maitland.

In attendance

Elizabeth Calder	Director of Performance & Strategic Development, GMMH
Gemma Clarke	Associate Director of Nursing and Quality, GMMH
John Walker	Associate Director of Operations, GMMH
Dr Neeti Singh	Consultant Psychiatrist, GMMH
Fleur Blakeman	Director of Improvement, GMMH
Richard Spearing	Trafford Integrated Network Director
Gareth James	Deputy Place Lead, Trafford Health and Care Integration
Stephanie Ferraioli	Democratic Officer

1 ATTENDANCES

An apology for absence was received from Councillors Lloyd, O'Brien and Western and Mrs Fairfield.

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

RESOLVED – That a disclosure be recorded given attendees' employment with the NHS.

3. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

No questions were received from members of the public.

4. MINUTES

Correction to the attendance of the meeting held on 30th January 2024 when it was erroneously stated that Councillor Hartley and Slater were not in attendance when in fact they were.

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting held on 30 January 2024 be noted as a true and correct record.

5 GMMH - UPDATE

The Director of Performance and Strategic Development for Greater Manchester Mental Health Trust thanked Members for the opportunity to update the Committee on the progress made by the Trust and spoke about some of the challenges relating to recruitment and information sharing across agencies as well as the historical low level funding, that remain a barrier.

She informed of the recent review of the service commissioned by NHS England which has now concluded and proven satisfactory and that also the Quality Care Commission continues to conduct regular inspections of the service, particularly looking at patients' safety.

Members expressed an interest in visiting the service.

RESOLVED:

- 1) That arrangements be made for Members to visit.
- 2) That the report be noted.

6. NEIGHBOURHOOD PROGRAMME UPDATE

The Integrated Network Director informed the Committee on the progress of the joint efforts made by Trafford Council, the NHS and community services and more recently local businesses too in the work relating to the neighbourhood programme.

Members were informed that one of the aims of the project is to have a leisure centre in each area of the borough. Some of the work has been ongoing already for a year, with consultations taking place with local people, asking them about their priorities based on population data via the Public Health team; and mental health is at the centre of everyone's experiences.

Progress meetings are held regularly each month with 40-60 services which some Councillor already attend. He extended the invite to all Members who are encouraged to go along to find out more about specific projects within the neighbourhood programme.

Members requested evidence of the actual impact of the programme on local people.

RESOLVED:

- 1) That real life stories be evidenced in the next update.
- 2) That the update be noted.

7. ICS UPDATE – TRAFFORD DRAFT LOCALITY DELIVERY PORTFOLIO 24/25

The Deputy Place Lead illustrated for the Committee the priorities for the next financial year 2024/25. He confirmed that the revised plan stretches over four years to 2026 and that a single Health and Wellbeing strategy plan will be factored in. However, not all items in the plan will be addressed in one go as the team will focus on the absolute must do and on some possible others mostly due to financial constraints.

It was noted that the report contained too many acronyms and that a clearer version will be required going forward to make it easier for everyone reading the report to understand what is actually being referred to.

RESOLVED:

- 1) That the next report contains fewer acronyms.
- 2) That the update be noted.

8. TASK AND FINISH

The Committee was presented with the report describing the work of the Task and Finish Group throughout the municipal year revolving around Social Prescribing.

Members recommended continuing on this project and that it should be publicised further perhaps via local news outlets and the Council's own social media channels in order to highlight further the cause and make people aware.

RESOLVED - That the report be noted.

9. AoB

Members expressed an interest in exploring dental waiting lists and the level of care provided in the next municipal year.