

SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL

Meeting of Health & Wellbeing Board

Date: Wednesday, 9th June, 2021

Place: Council Chamber - Civic Suite

Present: Councillor C Nevin (Chair)
Dr J Garcia-Lobera (Vice-Chair),
Councillors S Buckley, M Davidson, T Harp, J Moyies and
C Mulroney

T D'Orsi, K Jackson, M Marks, T Forster and O Richards.

In Attendance: Councillor L Salter (observer – People Scrutiny Committee Chair)
R Harris and J Banks (ABSS)

Start/End Time: 5.00 pm - 6.45 pm

35 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from A. Griffin, J. Gardner, S Dolling, Y. Blucher, A. Khaldi, P. Scott, J. Currell, J. Cripps and K. Ramkhelawon.

36 Declarations of Interest

The following declarations of interest were made:

(a) Cllr Salter – Minute 39 (Covid-19 Pandemic Updates), Minute 41 (ICS Boundary Review Update) and Minute 42 (Southend Healthwatch Strategic Priorities) – Non-pecuniary interest: Husband is consultant surgeon at Southend Hospital; daughter is a consultant at Basildon Hospital; Son-in-law is GP in the Borough;

(b) Cllr Harp – Minute 40 (A Better Start Progress Update) – Non-pecuniary interest: Non-pecuniary interest wife is employed by SAVS and he is a volunteer with SAVS: family friend employed in senior role at ABSS;

(c) Cllr Nevin – Minute 39 (Covid-19 Pandemic Updates) and Minute 41 (ICS Boundary Review Update) – Non-pecuniary interest: Employed at external NHS Trust; previous employment at Broomfield and Southend Hospitals; family members employed at Mid and South-Essex Trust hospitals and in the Trust's Estates Department; Group Director for Pathology at Mid and South Essex NHS Foundation Trust known to the councillor through previous employment.

(d) O. Richards – Minute 40 (A Better Start Progress Update) – Non-pecuniary interest: Employed by Family Action to run Healthwatch Southend, Family Action also run Children's Centres in the Borough.

37 Public Questions

There were no public questions at this meeting.

38 Minutes of the Meeting held on 8th March 2021

Resolved:-

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 8th March 2021 be confirmed as a correct record and signed.

39 Covid-19 Pandemic Updates (Health Protection Board and Local Outbreak Plan Oversight and Engagement Board)

The Board considered a report from the Director of Public Health providing an update on the Covid-19 Local Outbreak Control Plan implementation of the national Pandemic Management Programme.

The Board asked a number of questions which were responded to by officers. In consideration of the report the Board commented on the vital importance of communication with the local population, particularly access to primary care.

Reference was also made to the mobile vaccination initiative and how this could be adapted for use by other services, e.g. healthchecks.

Resolved:

1. That the progress and ongoing implementation of the Local Outbreak Management Plan by the Local Health Protection Board and the Outbreak Control Oversight and Engagement Board, be noted.

2. That the key documents endorsed by the Health Protection Board, be noted.

40 A Better Start Progress Update

The Board considered a report from the Director, A Better Start Southend (ABSS), providing an update from the ABSS Chair on key developments since the last meeting.

The Board asked a number of questions which were responded to by the ABSS Director.

Resolved:

That the report be noted.

41 ICS Boundary Review Update

The Board received an update from the Executive Director (Adults and Communities) on the Integrated Care System Boundary Review and associated matters, which included:

- Proposals in the Health and Care White Paper to make Integrated Care System a statutory function which will require new governance arrangements;
- There was ongoing dialogue and discussions. Views being sought on two options: (1) no change and continue as Mid and South Essex) and

(2) Reconfigure on a geographic boundary with Southend, Essex and Thurrock.

- Emphasised that this would be a change at the strategic level not the provision of services.

The Board asked a number of questions which were responded to by officers.

Resolved:

That the update on progress with the ICS Boundary Review, be noted.

42 Southend Healthwatch Strategic Priorities

The Board considered a report of the Strategic Manager, Healthwatch Southend, providing an overview of the current priorities and strategic direction of Healthwatch Southend and sought the views of the Board on the priority areas for the next 12 to 18 months.

The Board discussed the potential priorities for the next 12-18 months and stressed the need for trends analysis to identify gaps and barriers and produce SMART and deliverable outcomes.

Resolved:

That a further report be provided covering the trends, gaps and barriers for focussed activity over the next 12-18 months.

43 Future Dates 2021/22

Wednesday 8th September 2021 at 5pm

Thursday 2nd December 2021 at 5pm

Monday 7th March 2021 at 5pm

Chair: _____