

**Minute of WD CHCP Public Partnership Forum (PPF)  
Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2014  
Committee Room 3, Council Offices, Dumbarton**

**Present:**

Anne McDougall (Chair)	Emily Welsh
Lorraine McKenzie (Vice-Chair)	Jackie Maceira
Barbara Barnes	Mary McAlear
Anne Cruickshank	Irene Smith
Anne Ferguson	Margaret Walker (WD CHCP)
May McHugh	George Murphy (WD CHCP)
Liz Moore	Hazel Slattery (WD CHCP - minutes)
Ian Petrie	Lorna McIlreavy (SHC)
Muriel Robertson	Colin Whiteford (Scottish Ambulance Service)
Rogan Welsh	

**1. Welcome & Apologies**

A warm welcome was extended by the PPF Chair Anne McDougall.

It was noted that apologies had been received from Rhona Young, Jeanette Sweeting, Anne Meikle, Soumen Sengupta and Hugh Bright.

**2. Minutes of Last PPF Meeting (October 2013)**

Minutes agreed.

**3. Matters Arising**

The Chair highlighted the timing of the PPF meetings. Mr Murphy had previously asked members when would be best to arrange meetings; however, numbers in support of afternoon and evening meetings were the same. It was suggested that in the summer months meetings be held at night and in winter months meetings be held in the afternoon, alternating between the Clydebank and Dumbarton areas. This suggestion was agreed by the meeting.

**Action: G Murphy.**

**4. Scottish Ambulance Service**

The Chair welcomed Colin Whiteford, Area Service Manager, Scottish Ambulance Service who provided an overview of the current ambulance service and how to access. There have been many changes in the past few years resulting in a higher demand for ambulance services. One of main difficulties being encountered is the amount of time ambulances spend out of the area travelling to hospitals.

The Ambulance Service is working on reducing the number of falls patients being admitted to hospital and are looking at other community services being put in place. The Ambulance Service is keen to build close links with social work departments – and in the case of West Dunbartonshire, the CHCP – in relation to discharge planning and care at home. Mr Whiteford is keen to move forward with the Scottish Government's 2020 Vision for health and care; and is looking forward to engaging more with local groups to develop alternative pathways to hospital admissions.

Mr Whiteford answered a number of questions posed by PPF members, including transport problems when people are discharged.

Mr Murphy advised members that through the local Older People's Change Fund programme of work, West Dunbartonshire CHCP (along with Glasgow City, Renfrewshire and East Dunbartonshire) have a contract with the Red Cross to take vulnerable older people home from hospital A&E by patient transport between the hours of 2pm and 2am.

The meeting thanked Mr Whiteford for his attendance and contribution.

## **5. Report on the District Nursing Review**

The PPF's constructive response to the District Nursing Review was circulated. Ms Walker informed members that the district nursing review proposals represent the appropriate nurse skill mix for future needs. Agile working and new technologies will provide the tools to carry out 21<sup>st</sup> century nursing. Within West Dunbartonshire, Chris McNeil has allocated budget towards technology updates which will allow more time to be spent with patients; and there are on-going discussions with regards to further strengthening joint and seamless working between District Nursing and Home Care colleagues. Further discussions will be taking place when the new localities arrangements are established and the NHSGGC Clinical Services Review is completed.

The meeting thanked Ms Walker for this up-date.

## **6. PPF Development Session January 2014**

The Chair and the meeting stated that the development day had been excellent. The attendance and participation of the CHCP Director and Senior Management Team was felt particularly valuable and appreciated, especially the Question & Answer session in which they directly answered questions posed by PPF members. The only disappointment from the day was related to the number of areas where there was still a lack of national clarity in relation to the implementation of the Public Bodies (Joint Working) where guidance is still being awaited. However, members were reassured that the CHCP was in as strong a position as possible going forward given all of the work undertaken to-date.

The meeting thanked CHCP colleagues for organising and participating in this successful event.

## **7. Shadow Health and Care Partnership**

Ms Walker informed group that the Community Health and Care Partnership has now formally moved into its Shadow Health and Social Care Partnership phase (as described at the January Development Session).

Guidance on implementation will shape local developments over the coming year, and the CHCP will ensure that the PPF and other fora/groups are appropriately engaged throughout this period.

The meeting thanked Ms Walker for this up-date.

## **8. National Breast Screening Service Change**

Mr Murphy informed the meeting of changes within the national breast screening programme, with the service moving from analogue to digital screening. It was noted that the new mobile units will need an electrical supply and so this could have an impact on where the units will be able to operate.

The meeting thanked Mr Murphy for this up-date.

## **9. A.O.C.B.**

Ms McKenzie asked for the 'Keys to Life Strategy' to be added to the agenda for the next PPF meeting, including what and how local budgets will be allocated.

Ms McDougall highlighted a recent national report published on care homes. Ms Walker advised if members have any concerns about specific care homes within West Dunbartonshire, that they should contact colleagues at the CHCP.

Ms McIlreavy informed members of upcoming events organised by the Scottish Health Council. The first event is being held alongside the Scottish Medical Consortium who are holding a development day on public engagement. This is taking place on **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2014, Delta House, West Nile Street, Glasgow**. If anyone who wished to attend were advised to speak with Ms McIlreavy at the end of the meeting.

The NHSGGC PPF networking meeting is taking place on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2014. The WD PPF has been invited to talk about the changes to the NHSGGC-wide MSK Physiotherapy service that is hosted by WD CHCP. Ms McDougall and Ms McKenzie will attend.

The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

## **10. Date of Next Meeting**

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2014

7 p.m.

Dalmuir Community Education Centre (will be confirmed)