WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COMMUNITY HEALTH AND CARE PARTNERSHIP

At a Meeting of the West Dunbartonshire Community Health and Care Partnership held in Meeting Room 3, Council Offices, Garshake Road, Dumbarton on Wednesday, 2 February 2011 at 4.00 p.m.

Present:

Councillors Jim Brown, Gail Casey, Jonathan McColl, Ronnie McColl, Marie McNair and Patrick McGlinchey (West Dunbartonshire Council); Keith Redpath, Director, West Dunbartonshire Community Health and Care Partnership; Ross McCulloch, Co-Chair, Local Partnership Forum, Dr Alison Wilding, Clinical Director, West Dunbartonshire Community Health and Care Partnership*; Catherine Benton, Non-Executive Director, Greater Glasgow and Clyde NHS Board and Neil Etherington, Vice Chair, Public Partnership Forum*.

*Arrived later in the meeting.

Attending:

Stephen West, Head of Resources and Continuous Improvement; Jonathan Bryden, Interim Head of Finance, Soumen Sengupta, Head of Strategy, Planning and Health Improvement; Anne Ritchie, Head of Children's Services, Care and Criminal Justice Services; John Russell, Head of Mental Health, Learning Disability & Addictions; Adrian Gray, Business Unit Accountant; Nigel Ettles, Principal Solicitor and Nuala Borthwick, Committee Officer, West Dunbartonshire Council.

Councillor Ronnie McColl in the Chair

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

It was noted that there were no declarations of interest in any of the items of business on the agenda.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COMMUNITY HEALTH AND CARE PARTNERSHIP

The Minutes of Meeting of the Partnership held on 15 December 2010 were submitted and approved as a correct record.

PROGRESS REPORT ON THE REPROVISION OF AUCHENTOSHAN DAY CENTRE

A report was submitted by the Partnership Director providing an update on the reprovision of Auchentoshan Day Services.

Councillor J. McColl, in his capacity as Chair of the Auchentoshan Steering Group, provided an update from the most recent meeting of the Steering Group.

It was noted that the Group had instructed Officers to investigate the suitability of a couple of suggested premises in the Clydebank area and that it was anticipated that site visits to any possible premises would be arranged for members of the Steering Group following their next meeting. It was also noted that a commitment had been given that Officers would continue to look for a suitable premises for a new centre in the Clydebank area.

Following discussion, the Partnership agreed:-

- (1) that a progress report would be provided to a future meeting of the Partnership; and
- (2) otherwise to note the contents of the report.

SOCIAL WORK INSPECTION AGENCY FOLLOW UP INSPECTION

A report was submitted by the Partnership Director:-

- (a) providing information on the outcome of the recent follow-up inspection by the Social Work Inspection Agency (SWIA); and
- (b) seeking approval for the action plan drawn up to address the remaining issues.

Having heard the Partnership Director in further explanation of the report, the Partnership agreed:-

- (1) to note the progress to date against the original 13 recommendations made in the performance inspection in 2009; and
- (2) to approve the SWIA Action Plan as appended to the report.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR THE INDEPENDENT LIVING FUND (ILF)

A report was submitted by the Partnership Director providing an update on the recent changes made by the Independent Living Fund and the possible impact on West Dunbartonshire Council.

After discussion and having heard the Partnership Director in further explanation of the report and in answer to Members' questions, the Partnership agreed:-

- (1) that the report would be submitted to the February meeting of Council for consideration by all Elected Members;
- (2) to note the concerns expressed in the report and the impact the changes would have on West Dunbartonshire Council and disabled service users;
- (3) that a briefing note on the issue would be provided to all Elected Members, MSPs and MPs for the area for their information; and
- (4) that further reports would be provided to future meetings of the Partnership to advise of any developments announced at a national level and on how the CHCP is responding to the increased pressure for support.

Note: Dr Alison Wilding entered the meeting during consideration of the above item.

DELIVERING BETTER OUTCOMES AND USE OF JOINT RESOURCES – NATIONAL EVALUATION OF COMMUNITY HEALTH PARTNERSHIPS

A report was submitted by the Partnership Director highlighting the recently published 'Delivering Better Outcomes and Use of Joint Resources' report which both summarises the findings of the Community Health Partnership study published in May 2010 and outlines how the Scottish Government will work with its partners to support the further development of Community Health Partnerships.

Having heard the Partnership Director, the Partnership agreed:-

- (1) to note the contents of the report; and
- (2) to note the recently published Delivering Better Outcomes and Use of Joint Resources Report, as appended to the report.

Note: Mr Neil Etherington entered the meeting during consideration of the above item.

GUIDANCE ON THE PROCUREMENT OF CARE AND SUPPORT SERVICES

A report was submitted by the Partnership Director:-

- (a) advising of the publication and content of the Guidance on the Procurement of Care and Support Services; and
- (b) seeking approval to undertake the key actions required by the Guidance.

After hearing the Partnership Director in further explanation of the report and in answer to Members' questions, the Partnership agreed to approve that Officers of the CHCP, working together with colleagues from Legal Services and Corporate Procurement services, would progress the actions proposed by the guidance and report back to the appropriate Committees (those being the Council, the Partnership, the Improvement & Efficiency Executive Working Group and the Tendering Committee) with their conclusions and recommendations at the earliest opportunity.

REFRESHING THE NATIONAL STRATEGY & ACTION PLAN TO PREVENT SUICIDE IN SCOTLAND

A report was submitted by the Partnership Director providing information on the recent Scottish Government report entitled 'Refreshing the National Strategy & Action Plan to Prevent Suicide in Scotland' and the implications for West Dunbartonshire.

Following discussion and having heard the Partnership Director and the Head of Mental Health, Learning Disability & Addictions in further explanation of the report and in answer to Members' questions, the Partnership agreed:-

- (1) to note the revised objectives in the report 'Refreshing the National Strategy & Action Plan to Prevent Suicide in Scotland' and that, building on the work already in place, West Dunbartonshire is well placed to deliver on these objectives;
- (2) that statistics for suicide rates in West Dunbartonshire and comparative national rates be provided to Members of the Partnership for information; and
- (3) that the CHCP Director brings forward reports on the implementation of the new objectives to future meetings of the Partnership.

CARE COMMISSION INSPECTION REPORTS FOR WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL'S OLDER PEOPLE'S RESIDENTIAL SERVICES

A report was submitted by the Partnership Director providing information on the most recent reports received from the Care Commission for each of the seven Older People's Residential Services operated by West Dunbartonshire Council. The report also highlighted forthcoming changes to the external regulatory arrangements.

Following discussion and having heard the Partnership Director in further explanation of the report and in answer to Members' questions, the Partnership agreed:-

(1) that a progress report on actions being taken to improve on the grades achieved during the most recent inspections that have taken place for all the services reported on would be provided to a future meeting of the Partnership; and (2) to note the outcome of the Care Commission inspection reports and the impending changes to the regulatory arrangements.

CARE COMMISSION INSPECTION REPORT – BURNSIDE CHILDREN'S UNIT

A report was submitted by the Partnership Director summarising both inspections for Burnside Children's Unit for 2010. It was noted that the main inspection took place on 24 February 2010 with a follow-up inspection on 30 August 2010.

Following discussion and having heard the Head of Children's Health, Care & Criminal Justice Services in answer to Members' questions, the Partnership agreed to note the positive content of the report and improved gradings achieved over the past year.

CARE COMMISSION INSPECTION REPORT – BLAIRVADACH CHILDREN'S UNIT

A report was submitted by the Partnership Director summarising both inspections for Blairvadach Children's Unit for 2010. Members were requested to note that the main inspection took place on 22 February 2010 with a follow-up inspection on 25 August 2010.

Having heard the Head of Children's Health, Care and Criminal Justice Services in further explanation of the report, the Partnership agreed to note the positive content and improved gradings achieved during these inspections.

CHCP SOCIAL WORK SERVICES BUDGETARY POSITION 2010/11 AS AT PERIOD 8 – YEAR TO 30 NOVEMBER 2010

A report was submitted by the Partnership Director advising of the financial performance of the CHCP Social Work and Health budget for the period to 30 November 2010.

The Partnership agreed to note the contents of the report.

CHCP HEALTH SERVICES: FINANCIAL AND CAPITAL WORKS REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 NOVEMBER 2010

A report was submitted by the Partnership Director providing information on the financial and capital works report for the period ended 30 November 2010.

The Partnership agreed to note the contents of the report.

CHILD PROTECTION COMMITTEE COMMUNICATION STRATEGY – PUBLIC INFORMATION

A report was submitted by the Executive Director of Educational Services providing information on the revised Public Information Strategy which forms part of the Child Protection Committee Communication Strategy.

Having heard the Partnership Director in further explanation of the report, the Partnership agreed:-

- (1) to note that the Education and Lifelong Learning Committee had endorsed the Public Information Strategy as part of the wider Child Protection Committee Communication Strategy; and
- (2) otherwise to note the contents of the report.

CHCP ACTION PLAN - FEBRUARY UPDATE

A report was submitted by the Partnership Director confirming progress in meeting the key actions approved by the Partnership to develop the new CHCP between October 2010 and March 2011.

Having heard the Partnership Director in further explanation of the report, the Partnership agreed to note that progress continued to be made on the key actions and other priorities within the Action Plan.

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COMMUNITY HEALTH AND CARE PARTNERSHIP - FORWARD PLAN

A report was submitted by the Partnership Director highlighting the issues anticipated to be formally presented to the Partnership for decision over the course of the first half of the period 2011/12 (i.e. from April 2011 to August 2011).

Following discussion and having heard the Partnership Director in further explanation of the report, the Partnership agreed:-

- (1) to note that the items outlined at paragraph 3.4 of the report supported the strategic agendas articulated within the CHCP Strategic Plan and would be presented to the Partnership for decision by no later than August 2011; and
- (2) that the development of services which are currently being progressed by the Auchentoshan Steering Group would also be presented to the Partnership for consideration by August 2011.

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP (CPP) HEALTH AND WELLBEING SURVEY OF 15% SCOTTISH INDEX OF MULTIPLE DEPRIVATION (SIMD) AREAS – 2010 FINDINGS

A report was submitted by the Partnership Director summarising the key findings of the 2010 CPP Health and Wellbeing Survey for households within the 15% Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD) areas within West Dunbartonshire.

The Partnership agreed to note the contents of the report.

HEALTHY WORKING LIVES SILVER AWARD – WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE CHCP

A report was submitted by the Partnership Director highlighting West Dunbartonshire CHCP's recent success in attaining the Healthy Working Lives Silver Award.

After discussion and having heard the Partnership Director in further explanation of the report, the Partnership agreed:-

- (1) to congratulate the CHCP staff who have led and contributed to a successful achievement of the Healthy Working Lives Silver Award; and
- (2) otherwise to note the content of the report.

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE CHCP NHS COMPLAINTS REPORT – 1 APRIL 2010 – 10 JANUARY 2011

A report was submitted by the Partnership Director providing information on the current position of complaints received from 1 April 2010 until 10 January 2011 inclusive.

After hearing the Partnership Director in elaboration of the report, the Partnership agreed to note the contents of the report.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE CHCP JOINT STAFF FORUM

The draft Minutes of Meeting of the Joint Staff Forum held on Monday 10 January 2011 were submitted and noted.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE PUBLIC PARTNERSHIP FORUM (PPF)

The draft Minutes of Meeting of the PPF held on Wednesday, 12 January 2011 were submitted and noted.

The Committee heard from Mr Etherington who raised the concerns of the PPF in relation to the current assisted transport arrangements to the Royal Alexandra and Southern General Hospitals. In this regard, Mr Etherington advised that the No. 340 bus from Helensburgh to Royal Alexandria and Southern General Hospitals did not collect passengers in Old Kilpatrick or Bowling prior to crossing the Erskine Bridge. Mr Etherington also raised the issue of patients in Clydebank having difficulty attending clinical appointments at Stobhill Hospital and advised that other local authorities provided an assisted transport service to enable outpatients and visitors to travel to Stobhill Hospital.

Following discussion, it was agreed that officers would pursue these issues and report back to the PPF in due course. Thereafter a Briefing Note would be provided to Members of the Partnership on the outcome.

The Partnership then heard from Mr Etherington in relation to the scheduling of meetings of the CHCP. It was noted that meetings of the PPF had been scheduled to be held 2 weeks prior to the meetings of the CHCP and that agendas for the CHCP were not available until 12 days before the meeting.

Having heard the Partnership Director in response, it was noted that Officers would look at adjusting the timetable of meetings if considered necessary.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE PROFESSIONAL ADVISORY GROUP

The draft Minutes of Meeting of the Professional Advisory Group held on Tuesday, 18 January 2011 were submitted and noted.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE VALE OF LEVEN MONITORING GROUP

The Minutes of Meeting of the Vale of Leven Monitoring Group held on Monday, 29 November 2010 were submitted and noted.

In relation to a question from Mr McCulloch concerning the capital funding for the Alexandria Health and Care Centre, it was noted that the Partnership Director awaited written confirmation in this regard and continued to progress with the Full Business Case for Alexandria. It was further noted that a public consultation meeting in relation to the new Alexandria Health and Care Centre was scheduled to be held on Wednesday, 9 February 2011.

The meeting closed at 4.45 p.m.