



Minutes of North Ayrshire CHP Committee meeting
held on Thursday 6 August at 10 am, Room 2, Pavilion 8, Ayrshire Central Hospital, Irvine

Present Councillor David O'Neill, Chair, Councillor Margaret McDougall, Local Authority Member, Councillor Pat McPhee, Local Authority Member, Mr John Wright, NHS Member

In Attendance Ms Bernadette Docherty, Corporate Director, Social Services, Mrs Grace Moore, Assistant Director of Public Health, Ms Michelle Sutherland, CHP Facilitator, Ms Mandy Yule, Health Care Director, Ms Sandra Paterson, Head of Children and Families Services, Mrs Angela O'Mahony (Minutes)

1. Welcome from the Chair

Councillor O'Neill welcomed everyone to the meeting

2. Apologies

Councillor Gibson, Dr Masterton, Dr Price

3. Minutes of the last meeting on 28 May 2009

3.1 Committee approved the minutes.

4. Matters Arising

4.1 **Item 6.1 – Tobacco prevention/cessation work** – action taken.

4.2 **Item 7 – Delayed Discharges** – action taken.

4.3 **Item 11 – OLG Reporting arrangements** – see item 13.

4.4 **Item 13 – Healthy Weight Communities** – action taken.

5. **Public Health Priority Areas**

5.1 **Equally Well**

Mrs Grace Moore gave a presentation on Equally Well (attached) outlining the background, themes, principles, mechanisms for taking work forward, the balance between area wide and local work and the performance management arrangements.

Mrs Moore advised that a national implementation plan had been produced. 78 recommendations had been made in relation to the themes identified. The Scottish Government would review progress next year.

Mrs Moore reported progress in relation to the breastfeeding strategy for which a public health nurse had been appointed and breastfeeding networks set up in disadvantaged areas. A review of the Child Health Strategy had taken place and comments from the consultation were being considered prior to implementation.

Committee made the following comments:

- Members believed that all parties are signed up to the plan but that further progress is needed around working collaboratively with all agencies to address health inequalities in North Ayrshire.
- Committee agreed that development of the new Ayrshire Central Hospital would provide an opportunity to work in partnership to provide a good physical environment for the local population and those using the facilities.
- Mrs Sutherland would investigate with North Ayrshire Council to provide health promotion input into the development plan.
- Mrs Moore advised that funding would be available for the next two years to improve access to services for those with learning disabilities.
- Committee discussed areas where good partnership working is already taking place in North Ayrshire e.g. a public health nurse and health promotion officer have been seconded to provide health promotion input and support to the school curriculum.
- Members agreed the importance and value of investment in early years e.g. parenting programmes.

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- Mrs Moore advised that, for people with drug and alcohol dependency issues, there would be greater emphasis on the recovery model rather than the medical model with a more person-centred approach.
- Mrs Moore reported that an event would take place at Radio City on 2 October to showcase the work being done around sensory impairment and healthy living.

6. Inequalities in Health Action Plan Exception Report

Mrs Moore advised that this report had been submitted to the Inequalities in Health group. Ms Docherty noted that the Inequalities in Health group had considered the report and was now taking forward work on the action plan.

7. SOA Q1 CHP Update Report

Mrs Sutherland provided an update on the Single Outcome Agreement Outcomes and sought members' views on the current reporting arrangements. The Committee agreed that issues relating to Outcomes 5a and 8a should continue to be reported to the CHP Committee but responsibility for these Outcomes should remain within North Ayrshire Council.

8. Delayed Discharges

Mrs Sutherland reported good partnership working that is taking place in North Ayrshire on delayed discharges. The Adult Officer Locality Group had reviewed the allocation of delayed discharge funding in Ayrshire and had provided details of delayed discharge funding for North Ayrshire. The JIT would now consider how delayed discharge funding should be allocated in future to ensure that it is being used as effectively as possible. Committee recognised the challenges involved in supporting the delivery of delayed discharge targets.

9. Child Protection Update

Councillor O'Neill reminded members that, following discussion at the NHS Board meeting in June, he had requested further information about the numbers of children on the child protection register in North Ayrshire. Ms Paterson confirmed that the figures for North Ayrshire referrals (per 1,000 population) were similar to those in other parts of Ayrshire and the numbers which had resulted in child protection case conferences had decreased.

Ms Paterson outlined the issues that can affect referral rates across local authority areas. North Ayrshire's registration figures were comparable with the national average.

Ms Paterson assured the Committee that North Ayrshire Child Protection Committee is maintaining a close overview of management information and is committed to the continuous improvement of children's services in North Ayrshire.

10. Organisational Development Programme Update

Mrs Sutherland sought the Committee's approval of a draft communications plan which had been agreed following the Organisational Development session on 6 February. Mrs Sutherland suggested that a formal communication about the new CHP arrangements should now be sent to stakeholders. Committee members had also requested visits to health facilities to improve their knowledge and understanding and a number of sites had been identified. Member suggested that visits should also be made to addictions services. Mrs Sutherland would approach sites to arrange visits. Committee endorsed the draft plan.

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Following discussion, Ms Docherty suggested that the Health Inequalities Group should be asked to consider how to tackle misuse of very strong alcoholic drinks by young people.

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Mrs Sutherland advised that the Chairs of the North Ayrshire CHP Committee/Forum and Adult/ Children Officer Locality Groups had met on 5 August. Feedback indicated that this had been a positive meeting.

11. Your Health We're in it Together - Primary Care Consultation

Mrs Sutherland updated members on the consultation process which began on 1 August. North Ayrshire CHP Forum would lead in taking forward consultation work which would include engagement with the Children's OLG to enable accommodated children and those in the criminal justice system's views to be heard. A number of other agencies would be approached. Formal focus groups would be arranged and there would be open presentations at events such as agricultural shows. A session would take place with elected members on 5 October. NHS Ayrshire and Arran's final comments would be fed back at the meeting on 12 November.

12. Integrated Resource Framework Update

An update will be provided at the next meeting.

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13. CPP Reporting Template – For Information

The Committee noted.

14. Area Drugs Partnership Proposal – For Information

Mrs Sutherland reported that the Community Planning Partnership Board had approved the proposal to establish an Area Drugs Partnership which would sit within the CHP structure. Further discussion would take place about the ADP's structure and reporting arrangements. A final paper would be submitted to the Committee and CPP Board in September.

15. Standing Items

15.1 Inequalities in Health Group meeting on 27 April 2009

The Committee noted.

15.2 North Ayrshire CHP Forum meeting on 2 July (draft minutes)

The Committee noted.

15.3 Officer Locality Group – Adults and Older People meeting on 30 June (draft minutes)

The Committee noted.

15.4 Officer Locality Group – Integrated Children's Planning Group meeting on 28 May (draft minutes)

The Committee noted.

16. Any Other Competent Business

16.1 Bailie Bridge Closure

Some members reported that the bridge's closure is causing considerable difficulties for local businesses. Mrs Sutherland advised that no formal complaints had been received from the public in relation to difficulties accessing health services. PPF colleagues had been asked to seek peoples' views and report back to the CHP Forum on 27 August. Mrs Sutherland will provide an update at the next meeting.

17. Date and Time of the Next Meeting Thursday 17 September at 10am, Committee Room 2, Cunninghame House, Irvine