

# Outer North West Area Committee

## Health & Well-being Sub Group



### Minutes of meeting

12<sup>th</sup> July 2011

10.00am Wharfedale Hospital

### Present

Cllr G Latty – Member for Guiseley & Rawdon (Chair)

Cllr B Anderson - Member for Adel & Wharfedale

Cllr Campbell – Member for Adel & Wharfedale

Cllr Collins – Member for Horsforth

Cllr Downes –Member for Otley & Yeadon

Cllr C Fox – Member for Adel & Wharfedale

Cllr Kirkland – Member for Otley & Yeadon

Cllr Townsley – Member for Horsforth

Jacqueline Myers – Director of Surgery LTH

Ross Langford – Communications LTH

Zoe Kirk – Matron Wharfedale Hospital

Pat Clark – Secretary to Matron

Michele Tynan – Adult Social Care Chief Officer Commissioning

Kim Maslyn – Adult Social Care Head of Service Older People & Learning Disabilities

Laurence Wood – Chairman, Public Patient Advisory Group, Non-executive Director H3Plus Commissioning Consortium

Gerry Burnham – WNW Area Management

### 1.0 Introductions

1.1 Cllr Latty welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made.

### 2.0 Minutes of the last meeting

2.1 The minutes of the last meeting were approved.

### 3.0 Adult Social Care Update

3.1 Michele Tynan attended the meeting to provide an update on the consultation around future options for Long Term Residential and day care for older people and also discuss proposals to close Kirkland and Spring Gardens in outer north west.

3.2 A discussion took place on the financial problems of Southern Cross Homes. MT advised that Southern Cross has 7 care homes in Leeds. LCC are currently in talks with Southern Cross and it is likely that landlords of these properties will take over the running of the homes as most are care providers already. It is expected that staff will be retained and it is not anticipated that there will be a situation where residents have to move.

**Action: MT to advise Members of any Southern Cross Homes where the landlord is not a care provider and also the number of beds they provide in Leeds.**

MT

3.3 Concerns were raised regarding the proposed closure of Spring Gardens

and what will happen to those residents if the home were to close. MT advised that ASC are in very early stages of discussions with a private provider who has expressed an interest in taking over running of the home.

- 3.4 Changing demographics and dementia were discussed and whether there was enough care provision to meet the increasing number of beds that will be required in the future. MT informed the meeting that ASC has undertaken a mapping exercise which identified that there has been an increase of 1000 care beds in the private sector, not all of these are occupied at present. ASC needs to shape services to meet demand but is confident they can meet the care requirements for the city.

**Action: MT to provide stats on bed provision in Leeds.**

**MT**

- 3.5 The sub group raised concerns that there was no intermediate bed provision in Outer North West Leeds.

3.6 Cllr Latty thanked MT for attending the meeting and her input.

3.7 MT left the meeting at this point 10.30am.

#### **4.0 Closure of Ward 1 Wharfedale Hospital**

4.1 Jacqueline Myers from Leeds Teaching Hospitals (LTH) attended for this item. LTH has decided – based on the latest model of clinical care – that acute services for elderly patients should only be provided from St James's University Hospital where the right medical and nursing expertise and facilities are available. (Full briefing note attached).

4.2 Wharfedale Hospital will continue to provide services for the local community and to patients across Leeds. During the next few months LTH are expecting to increase the amount of surgery undertaken at Wharfedale. As part of this surgical activity patients will be able to stay overnight three days each week. There is also a wide range of day patient, out patient and diagnostic services at Wharfedale.

4.3 The Hospital continues to look for an alternative use for Ward 1.

4.4 Members raised the following points:

- Residents living in outer north west cannot access St James easily and look for healthcare within the area.
- Concerns were raised that no one from the PCT was at this meeting or the public meeting held on the 13<sup>th</sup> June.
- No consultation had taken place with regards to the closure. JM advised that LTH had taken advice and were informed they did not need to formally consult on this issue.
- Questions were asked on where the patients who would have been on Ward 1 are now. JM confirmed that half of the bed spaces had not been replaced elsewhere however patients are now kept in St James's or are transferred to intermediate care facilities.
- A discussion took place on how all necessary parties can be brought together to discuss issues. JM confirmed that 'The Leeds Social Care Transformation Board are trying to shape services together. Membership of this includes LTH, PCT and LCC.

5.5 The Wharfedale Hospital Forum is to be re-instated and it was suggested that membership includes the four Members of the ONW Health & Well-Being sub group.  
**Action: GB to liaise with JT to set up lines of communication.** **GB**

5.6 The walkabout that had been arranged for today to be re-scheduled. **GB**  
**Action:GB**

**5.0 Any other business**

5.1 There was no other business.

**6.0 Date & Time of Next Meeting**

6.1 To be arranged.