

# **BRIGHTON & HOVE CITY COUNCIL**

## **JOINT COMMISSIONING BOARD**

**5.00PM – 26 SEPTEMBER 2005**

### **BRIGHTON TOWN HALL**

#### **MINUTES**

Brighton & Hove Council Representatives:

Present: Councillor Meadows (Chair); Councillors Morgan, Mrs Norman, Older, Pennington and Taylor.

Brighton and Hove City Primary Care Trust Representatives:

Present: Jean Spray (Vice-Chair), Michael Evans and Janice Robinson.

All decisions minuted below were agreed by Brighton & Hove City Council's Adult Social Care and Health Committee, acting as the Council's Committee which forms the Council part of the Joint Commissioning Board.

All decisions minuted below were agreed by the above representatives of the Brighton & Hove City Primary Care Trust Board, acting as a sub-committee of the Trust, which forms the Brighton and Hove City Primary Care Trust part of the Joint Commissioning Board.

#### **PART ONE**

#### **ACTION**

#### **5. PROCEDURAL BUSINESS**

##### **5A. Declarations of Substitutes**

5.1 Councillor Taylor substituted for Councillor Williams

##### **5B. Declarations of Interest**

5.2 Councillor Older declared a personal but not prejudicial interest in items relating to mental health as she was on the committee of the Alzheimer's Society.

##### **5C. Exclusion of Press and Public**

5.3 The Committee considered whether the press and public should be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of any items contained in the agenda, having regard to the nature of

the business to be transacted and the nature of the proceedings and the likelihood as to whether, if members of the press and public were present, there would be disclosure to them of confidential or exempt information as defined in Section 100A(3) or 100 1 of the Local Government Act 1972.

5.4 **RESOLVED** - That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of item 13 and an additional late item which would be considered as 13a – South Downs Health Recovery Plan – exempt categories 9 & 11.

## **6. MINUTES**

6.1 **RESOLVED** - That the minutes of the meeting held on 27 June 2005 be approved and signed by the Chair.

## 7. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

7.1 There were no public questions.

## 8. PERFORMANCE REPORT

8.1 The Board considered a report of the Primary Care Trust Director of Finance and Performance Management, which presented the latest forecast of the financial outturn and performance based upon the Month 4 reports.

8.2 The Board were informed that the forecast overspend was 2.4 million. The cause of the overspend was set out in paragraph 3.1 of the report. The service recovery plan would involve efficiency savings not service cuts. The Service recovery plan would be discussed in more detail in part 2 of the agenda.

8.3 **RESOLVED** - That the contents of the report be noted.

## 9. UPDATED DRAFT COMMISSIONING STRATEGY FOR LEARNING DISABILITIES 2005-2008

9.1 The Board considered a report of the Director of Housing and City Support which sought agreement to a formal period of 12 weeks consultation in order to complete a final version of Commissioning Strategy for Learning Disabilities 2005-2009/10.

9.2 The Lead Commissioner Learning Disabilities informed the Panel that comments on the process of the consultation were set out in paragraph 3.3 of the report. Section 9 of the strategy set out the action plan for services in learning disabilities. The Joint Commissioning Board was asked to endorse actions set out in this plan.

9.3 Councillor Taylor expressed concern that under the section "What is Learning Disability" the valuing people definition stated "the definition covers adults with autism who also have learning disabilities, but not those with a higher level autistic spectrum disorder who maybe of average intelligence – such as some people with Asperger's Syndrome". Councillor Taylor quoted governmental supplementary guidance, which stated that people with Asperger's Syndrome should not be precluded from accessing help through learning disabilities. Councillor Taylor suggested that the strategy be amended to include the Department of Health definition.

9.4 The Chair stressed that the strategy was a working document, which would be brought back to the Board. Meanwhile officers would consider Councillor Taylor's suggestion.

9.5 **RESOLVED** - (1) That the formal consultation plan set out in Sarah Ford

Appendix 1 of the report be agreed.

(2) That the updated content of the Draft Commissioning Strategy for Learning Disabilities 2005-2009/10 be noted.

(3) That the continued actions to implement service improvements through the Learning Disability Partnership Board and Sub-Groups be endorsed.

## **10. WORKING AGE MENTAL HEALTH DAY AND EMPLOYMENT SERVICES REVIEW**

10.1 The Board considered a report of the Lead Commissioner Mental Health which reviewed the working age mental health day and employment services within Brighton and Hove, and presented proposals for service development.

**10.2 RESOLVED** - (1) That the contents of the report and the accompanying reference document be noted. Andy Porter

(2) That the specific recommendations in the report be agreed as follows:

- The Vocational Strategy and the Day Services Strategy outlined in Section 4 of the document.
- The service development proposals outlined in Section 5 of the document.

## **11. MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR OLDER PEOPLE: 2005/6 TO 2007/8**

11.1 The Board considered a report of the Lead Commissioner for Mental Health presenting the Commissioning Strategy for Mental Health Services for Older People (MHSOP) for the period 2005/6 to 2007/8.

**11.2 RESOLVED** - (1) That the Commissioning Strategy for Mental Health Services for Older People be noted and agreed. Andy Porter

(2) That the specific recommendations in the report outlined in Section 5 of the paper be agreed.

## **12. DEVELOPMENT OF WESTBOURNE HOSPITAL SITE**

12.1 The Board considered a report of the Director of Housing and City Support concerning the proposed development to re-provide accommodation for the Integrated Learning Disabilities short-break service, provide accommodation for people with long-term disabilities and provide much needed affordable housing.

**12.2 RESOLVED** - (1) That the following be approved. Sarah Ford

- the commencement of consultation with all stakeholders affected by the proposal, including service users, their families and carers;
- that risk assessments be undertaken of each service user affected by the proposal to determine the impact of any move, including interim arrangements where necessary and on their ongoing needs.

(2) To it be noted that it is proposed to seek Policy & Resources approval, at the appropriate time, to fund the additional costs of the services, up to a maximum of £42,000, from service pressures funding as part of the relevant year's budget strategy.

**Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985**

**Part 2 Proceedings**

**13a. SERVICE RECOVERY PLANS – Exempt categories 9 & 11**

13A.1 The Board noted a report the Director of Finance, South Downs Health NHS Trust which set out the actions South Downs Health were proposing to take to ensure financial balance in 2005/06.

**13. PART TWO MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD HELD ON 27 JUNE 2005 – EXEMPT CATEGORIES 4 & 8**

13.1 **RESOLVED** – That the Part Two minutes of the meeting held on 27 June 2005 be approved and signed by the Chair.