

**GATESHEAD METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**GATESHEAD HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD MEETING**

**Friday, 29 April 2022**

<b>PRESENT:</b>	Councillor Lynne Caffrey	Gateshead Council (Chair)	
	Councillor Leigh Kirton	Gateshead Council	
	Councillor Bernadette Oliphant	Gateshead Council	
	Councillor Gary Haley	Gateshead Council	
	Councillor Michael McNestry	Gateshead Council	
	Councillor Jonathan Wallace	Gateshead Council	
	Dr Mark Dornan	Newcastle Gateshead CCG	
	James Duncan	Northumberland Tyne and Wear NHS Foundation Trust	
	Alice Wiseman	Gateshead Council	
	Lisa Goodwin	Connected Voice	
	<b>IN ATTENDANCE:</b>	John Costello	Gateshead Council
		Yvonne Ormston	Gateshead Health FT
Nicola Allen		CBC Health Federation	
Louise Sweeney		Gateshead Council	
Claire Wheatley		Northumbria Police	
Dan Jackson		ICS	
Vicky Sibson		Gateshead Council	
Joanna Clark		Gateshead Health FT	
Lynn Wilson		Gateshead Council/CCG	
Saira Park		LSCB	
Anneliese Hutchinson	Gateshead Council		

**HW322 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Martin Gannon, Siobhan O'Neil, Steph Downey, Stephen Kirk and Steve Thomas.

The Chair welcomed Clare Wheatly from Northumbria Police and Dan Jackson from the ICS as guests to the meeting.

**HW323 MINUTES**

The Board noted that a task and finish group would be set up by Louise Sweeney to develop the Health and Wellbeing Strategy Implementation Plan; the Board were advised that an invitation to contribute would be sent. It was agreed that an update on progress made would be reported back at the June Board meeting.

It was also noted that Joanna Clark of the Gateshead Health Foundation Trust had attended the previous meeting but that this had not been recorded; this record is to be updated online.

Noting the above, the minutes of the previous meeting held on 29 April 2022 were agreed as a correct record.

#### **HW324      DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

RESOLVED:

- (i)      There were no declarations of interest.

#### **HW325      UPDATE ON ICS DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLICATIONS FOR PLACE SYSTEMS - DAN JACKSON**

The Board received a presentation providing an update on ICS development. The Board were provided with a summary of the four main aims of ICBs in addition to an overview of the ICS architecture.

From the presentation, the Board noted information relating to the development of the Integrated Care Board, this included membership, functions and delegations to place. The ICS forward plan for place-based working was also summarised; it was noted that HWBs will maintain their key role in setting the priorities for place-based working and in shaping strategy through the ICP, and that the ICB transitional place-based governance arrangements for 2022-3 will allow the NHS to continue to jointly commission with Local Authorities, focus on primary care development, and ensure that local quality and safeguarding issues are managed effectively.

The Board were also provided with an overview of the development of the Integrated Care Partnership, this included details of the role, membership and relationship to 'place'. From the presentation, the Board further noted efforts being made to engage with staff and stakeholders in addition to the planned next steps.

The Board questioned the reason as to why at a place-based level there is to be fewer directors looking after more 'places'. It was stated that there is to be a reduction from five directors to four in the new structure with the aim of having each director meeting the specific needs of each place in a more streamlined way. The Board also discussed the impact of population deprivation factors in budget allocations; it was argued that budgets are often decided based on population which would result in some areas in high need missing out.

A question was asked in relation to the number of elected members that would be invited to participate in the ICS structures; it was noted that there would need to be representation from a range of local authorities to ensure that decisions are made efficiently. The Board were assured that significant progress had been made at a place-based level and that a number of joint appointments were to be made. It was also highlighted that there are to be twelve Directors of Public Health working together to review the needs of their respective areas.

It was asked what the ICS would be allocating in terms of resources towards preventative measures and how this would work in practice. The Board also noted concern that the Northeast and Cumbria as a whole are deprived and that deprivation is not recognised by Government as it had been before. The Board was

informed that existing formulas would be used for now but that in the future there may need to be a different way of recognising deprivation; it was also stated that, with the ICB, there would be clearer outcomes and more efficient decision making with a central authority.

The Board was informed that budget planning methods would not change drastically moving forwards.

RESOLVED:

- (i) The Board noted the update from the presentation.

**HW326**

### **CLIMATE CHANGE STRATEGY FOR GATESHEAD - ANNELIESE HUTCHINSON / LUCY GREENFIELD**

The Board received a report and presentation seeking endorsement of the Climate Emergency Strategy.

It was reported that the Climate Emergency supports the Gateshead Health & Wellbeing Strategy in addition to health and wellbeing being referenced in the Council's Environmental Policy adopted in 2021.

From the presentation the Board were provided with an overview of the impacts that climate change is having worldwide; a summary of the Council's journey to its current position was also highlighted as follows:

- The Council declared a Climate Emergency in 2019.
- The Council adopted a Climate Action plan in 2021.
- As a council, we have already made major progress in reducing carbon emissions from our own activities -a 55% drop since 2010. But this only accounts for around 2.5% of Gateshead's total carbon footprint.
- The Council is independently audited using Investors in the Environment –We are awarded 'silver' accreditation against the Investors in the Environment Framework with a score of 70% in 2020 -The first annual review in 2021 resulted in an improved score of 75% with a carbon reduction of 19% from previous year.
- In November 2021 Cabinet approved a Climate Change Strategy for Gateshead for consultation.
- The Strategy sets out a vision for achieving our commitment to carbon neutrality by 2030.
- The themes within the strategy are; Transport, Economy and consumption, Energy, Food, Woodland and nature and Resilience.
- The Strategy recognises that delivering our targets will be a joint effort between the Council, business and the whole community.
- The Strategy will be supported by ward level action plans.

It was reported that a public-facing action plan had been developed to summarise what the Council will do to make its own operations carbon-neutral, this included transport, housing, energy, the environment and waste. Additionally, the Board were provided with a summary of actions being taken within Gateshead, this includes tree planting, increased use of renewable energies and the development of a Heat Strategy for Gateshead.

It was proposed that the Board endorse the draft Climate Emergency Strategy and commit to help achieve the vision and objectives within it. The Board acknowledged that a lot of work needs to be done and endorsed the proposals presented. The Board also discussed the need for collaborative work on climate change to continue across the whole system with partners and stakeholders doing their bit.

A comment was made highlighting the importance of allotment space in Gateshead, particularly to allow residents to grow their own produce and increase local food production. It was further stated that community gardens and allotment spaces are beneficial for mental health.

The Board also noted that it was important to engage with the younger population in Gateshead via schools and the youth parliament.

RESOLVED:

- (i) The Board endorsed the Climate Emergency Strategy.
- (ii) The Board agreed to commit to delivering the objectives within the strategy across the system.

### **HW327 COVID-19 RESPONSE & VACCINE UPDATE - ALICE WISEMAN / LYNN WILSON**

The Board received a presentation providing an update on the Covid-19 response and vaccine rollout in Gateshead.

The Board were advised that ONS data suggests that cases in England are reducing but that at a local level there are increases. It was however highlighted that there is an expectation that local case data could be unreliable due to a national policy change in testing.

It was reported that the vaccine rollout in children has started with uptake being higher than expected; the Board were also advised that the spring booster programme had gone well despite supply issues.

It was acknowledged that there are still pressures on local hospital and GP services; particularly with delays to discharges and ambulance waiting times.

From the presentation, the Board were advised that the final phase of the regional campaign against Covid-19 ends 30<sup>th</sup> April 2022.

RESOLVED:

- (i) The Board noted the update.

**HW328 GATESHEAD CARES SYSTEM BOARD UPDATE - MARK DORNAN / ALL**

The Board received an update on the Gateshead Cares System Board.

From the presentation it was reported that there had been a successful development session for the System Board on 31<sup>st</sup> March with Sam Allen CX of Northeast and Cumbria ICS and other guests in attendance. It was highlighted that there had been a focus on a report-out by team members on progress in taking forward key programmes of work in addition to discussions around feedback from patients and staff. The Board were also advised that there had been a review of work programmes for 2022/23.

The Board received a summary of programme areas, this included children and young people and adults/older people. From the presentation it was noted that each programme area would address health inequalities, prevention, integrated pathways and evaluating outcomes.

An overview of cross system workstreams that will help enable integration (workforce, digital etc.) was also provided, in addition to a summary of work to progress an implementation plan for Gateshead's Health and Wellbeing Strategy.

RESOLVED:

- (i) The Board noted the update.

**HW329 FOR INFORMATION - GATESHEAD SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN PARTNERSHIP ANNUAL REPORT 2020/21 - SAIRA PARK**

RESOLVED:

- (i) The Board received and acknowledged the Gateshead Safeguarding Children Partnership Annual Report 2020/21.

**HW330 UPDATES FROM BOARD MEMBERS**

The Board discussed the impact of the cost-of-living crisis and the rise in energy prices, particularly for those who require specialist medical equipment at home. It was agreed that discussions across partners would continue on this matter.

The Board watched a video of local poet Rowan McCabe.

RESOLVED:

- (i) The Board noted the updates.

**HW331 A.O.B.**

RESOLVED:

- (i) There was no other business.