
SOUTHAMPTON CITY COUNCIL
HEALTH OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 29 JUNE 2023

Present: Councillors W Payne (Chair), Allen, Finn, Houghton, Kenny, Noon and Wood

1. **ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR**

RESOLVED that Councillor Houghton be elected as Vice-Chair for the Municipal Year 2023/2024.

2. **DISCLOSURE OF PERSONAL AND PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

Councillor Allen declared that his wife was employed as a Nurse at Solent Health NHS Trust.

Councillor Finn declared that she was employed as a Mental Health Social Worker for NHS Professionals at Southern Health NHS Foundation Trust and her husband was a Trustee of Solent Mental Health Service.

Councillor Kenny declared that she was a Member of Southern Health NHS Foundation Trust and her husband was a Governor of Southern Health NHS Foundation Trust.

The Panel noted the declaration of interest and considered that it did not present a conflict of interest in the items on the agenda.

RESOLVED that Councillors Allen, Finn and Kenny would be involved the discussion of the items on the agenda.

3. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (INCLUDING MATTERS ARISING)**

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Panel meeting on 6 April 2023 be approved and signed as a correct record.

4. **FINANCIAL UPDATE**

The Panel considered the report of the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Integrated Care Board (ICB) which provided the Panel with an update on its work to improve the system's financial position.

Jane Freeland, Southampton Keep Our NHS Public; Rob Kurn, Chief Executive, Southampton Voluntary Services; and James House, Managing Director, Southampton Place, Hampshire & Isle of Wight Integrated Care Board; were in attendance and, with the consent of the Chair, addressed the meeting.

RESOLVED That the ICB undertake timely engagement with stakeholders, including the HOSP, as proposals are developed to address the financial constraints facing the NHS across Hampshire and the IOW.

5. **PROPOSALS TO REDESIGN INPATIENT OLDER PEOPLE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES**

The Panel considered the report of the Scrutiny Manager which recommended that the Panel utilised the attached appendices, and the discussion with invited attendees, to determine whether the proposals to redesign inpatient Older Persons Mental Health (OPMH) services represented a significant development or substantial variation in NHS services and, if so, whether the proposals required further scrutiny.

Councillor Barbour; Jo Hannigan; Ron Shields, Chief Executive, Southern Health NHS Foundation Trust; Jenny Erwin, Director of Mental Health and Learning Disabilities Transformation and Delivery for Hampshire & Isle of Wight Integrated Care Board; and Councillor Fielker, Cabinet Member for Health, Adults and Leisure were in attendance and, with the consent of the Chair, addressed the meeting.

RESOLVED that the proposals represented a substantial variation in NHS services and that the proposals required further scrutiny, therefore:

- 1) The list of organisations that had been contacted by Southern Health NHS Foundation Trust about the OPMH proposals would be circulated to the Panel.
- 2) The issue would return to the 19 October HOSP agenda for consideration by the Panel. Southern Health were requested to undertake additional engagement with stakeholders on the proposals relating to Beaulieu Ward at Western Community Hospital, details on engagement to be agreed by the Scrutiny Manager and the Associate Director of Communications. The report to the 19 October meeting should detail the outcomes of the engagement activity and clarify the actions to be taken to mitigate the impact of the proposals.

6. **MONITORING SCRUTINY RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Panel received and noted the report of the Scrutiny Manager which enabled the Health Overview and Scrutiny Panel to monitor and track progress on recommendations made at previous meetings.

CHAIR



17 August 2023