
SOUTHAMPTON CITY COUNCIL
HEALTH OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 1 JULY 2021

Present: Councillors Prior (Chair), Bogle, Stead, Professor Margetts and J Payne

Apologies: Councillors Guest

1. **APOLOGIES AND CHANGES IN MEMBERSHIP (IF ANY)**

It was noted that following receipt of the temporary resignation of Councillor Guest from the Panel the Service Director, Legal and Governance, acting under delegated powers, had appointed Councillor J Payne to replace them for the purposes of this meeting.

2. **ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR**

RESOLVED that the Panel elected Councillor Bogle as Vice-Chair for the Municipal Year.

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

RESOLVED: that the minutes for the Panel meeting on 22 April 2021 be approved and signed as a correct record.

4. **END OF LIFE - COVID AND BEYOND**

The Panel considered and noted the report of the Chief Executive Officer of Mountbatten updating the Panel on progress being made with end of life services in the City.

Maraig Forrest-Charde (Associate Deputy Director. Integrated Commissioning Unit and Nigel Hartley (Chief Executive of Mountbatten Hospice) were in attendance and, with the consent of the Chair, addressed the meeting.

The Panel discussed a number of points including:

- The independent nature of the hospice network;
- The need for professional end of life care for patients and their families including the levels of support for relatives and school age children;
- How the hospice is an integral element of the wider community and is reliant on volunteers and local fundraising;
- Potential areas of inequality of care provision in society;
- Raising referrals numbers for the service through the existing care framework; and
- Future plans for service provision within the region.

5. **CARE DIRECTOR IMPLEMENTATION FOR ADULT SOCIAL CARE**

The Panel considered and noted the report of the Executive Director Wellbeing (Adults and Health) updating the Panel on the implementation of the new Client Case Management system, Care Director

Sharon Stewart (Divisional Head of Provider Services and Principal Occupational Therapist), Alison Milton, Project Manager (SCC) and Councillor White (cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care) were in attendance and, with the consent of the Chair, addressed the meeting.

The Panel discussed a number of points including:

- Implementation date of the new programme;
- The support provision for staff prior to and post the implementation of the new system;
- The compatibility and sustainability of the system; and
- The numbers of other authorities already using the system and the support received from them.

6. **COVID-19 VACCINATION PROGRAMME IN SOUTHAMPTON**

The Panel considered a report from NHS Hampshire, Southampton and IOW CCG and Southampton City Council providing the Panel with an overview of progress being made by the COVID-19 vaccination programme in Southampton

Jenny Erwin – Senior Responsible Officer, Hampshire and Isle of Wight Covid-19 Vaccinations Programme, Phil Aubrey-Harris – Deputy Director of Primary Care at NHS Hampshire, Southampton and IOW CCG and Dr Debbie Chase - Director of Public Health, Southampton City Council were in attendance and, with the consent of the Chair, addressed the meeting.

The Panel discussed a number of points including:

- The rates of vaccination across the City's varied communities. It was explained that the proportion of Southampton's population under 50 was much higher than in some of the surrounding areas;
- The vaccination programmes out-reach to sailors visiting the port;
- The current rates and spread of the Delta variant
- Efforts to reach out to younger people – noting the forthcoming "grab a Jab" campaign;
- The development of the Covid-19 booster vaccinations scheme;
- Development of Long-Covid support programmes.

RESOLVED that the Panel are provided with a breakdown of vaccination uptake rates across Southampton's communities.