

NORTHAMPTON BOROUGH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF SCRUTINY PANEL 4 - ADULT SOCIAL CARE FACILITIES

Monday, 8 October 2018

COUNCILLORS PRESENT: Councillor Zoe Smith (Chair), Councillors Julie Davenport, Jamie Lane, Brian Oldham and Cathrine Russell

Officer Tracy Tiff, Scrutiny Officer

Member of the Public Morcea Walker

1. CONFIRMATION OF CHAIR OF THE SCRUTINY PANEL

The Chair of Scrutiny Panel 4 – Adult Social Care Facilities was confirmed as Councillor Zoe Smith.

The Scrutiny Panel was reminded the Councillor Sally Beardsworth has been appointed Deputy Chair.

2. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Sally Beardsworth.

At this point, the Scrutiny Panel conveyed its disappointment that no Councillors from NCC had come forward to be co opted to the Review for its life.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (INCLUDING WHIPPING)

There were none.

4. DEPUTATIONS AND PUBLIC ADDRESSES

There were none.

5. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 9 August 2018 were signed by the Chair as a true and accurate record.

6. CORE QUESTIONS

The Scrutiny Panel considered the draft core questions, making additions and alterations.

AGREED: That the core questions, as appended to the minutes, are issued to the expert advisors for response.

7. SITE VISITS

The Scrutiny Panel discussed potential site visits.

It suggested site visits to the following:

Northampton General Hospital – discharge procedures
St Andrews Hospital – discharge procedures
Kettering General Hospital, Kettering – discharge procedures

Further potential site visits were suggested:

Care homes in Northampton
Work Bridge
St Matthews

The Scrutiny Officer undertook to arrange the site visits in consultation with the Chair.

AGREED: That site visits to the list above scheduled into the Scrutiny Panel's evidence gathering timetable.

8. COMMUNITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

The Community Impact Assessment for this Review was approved and would be published on the Overview and Scrutiny WebPage.

The meeting concluded at 6:20 pm



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OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY

SCRUTINY PANEL – ADULT SOCIAL CARE FACILITIES

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The Scrutiny Panel is currently undertaking a review: Adult Social Care Facilities

The purpose of the Review is to investigate Adult Social Care Facilities in the area to identify future demand patterns, in order that any new Unitary Council is able to better plan for the needs of older people.

CORE QUESTIONS:

A series of key questions have been put together to inform the evidence base of the Scrutiny Panel:

- 1 It is important to appreciate the totality of the need problem and its cost. How will this be apportioned between two Unitary Authorities?
- 2 How will better working/partnership be fostered with NHS and outside providers, i.e., Charities and private sector care homes?
- 3 How will funding be apportioned?
- 4 How will you sort the Shaw PFI contract?
- 5 How will Safeguarding principles be better applied?
- 6 Please provide details of the relationship with private sector providers, i.e., care/nursing homes?
- 7 Please provide details of opportunities to combine care and housing provision in innovative ways?
- 8 Do you think there are any specific groups that are not accessing Adult Social Care Facilities, please provide details
- 9 In your opinion, how can better management support be applied for both social workers and carers?

- 10 Please provide details of the statutory responsibilities in respect of the duty of care obligations and their financial consequences
- 11 Are there any examples of new, innovative ways of working that we can learn from?
- 12 What models centred on the prevention agenda are being delivered? Are there plans to further expand this way of working?
- 13 How is the wider place making system (planning, highways, public transport) being engaged to create communities of the future that ensure older people stay healthy for longer
- 14 Do you have any other information, concerns or suggestions you wish to raise in relation to adult social care facilities?