

HEALTH AND WELLBEING GROUP

Minutes of Meeting held on 19th March 2009

Present:	Cllr Heather Johnson (Chair)	Coventry City Council
	Dr Caron Grainger	Coventry PCT
	Vince Mayne	Coventry University
	Jean Arrowsmith	Coventry City Council
In Attendance:	Heather Thornton	Coventry PCT
	Sarah Perry	Coventry Partnership
	Mary McDonald	Coventry PCT (For Item No. 3)
	Sarah Skinner	Coventry PCT
	Mark Smith	Coventry PCT
	Stan Thompson	Coventry PCT (From Item No. 3)
Apologies:	Cllr Joseph Clifford	Coventry City Council
	Marsha Towey	Coventry City Council
	Janet Baker	Government Office
	Stephen Banbury	CVS
	Simon Brake	Coventry City Council
	Vanessa Brown	Coventry City Council
	Rupinder Gill	Coventry City Council
	Etain McDermott	NDC

1. Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on the 8th January 2009 were approved as a correct record.

2. Matters arising from the minutes

It was noted that arrangements have been made for One Body One Life to have a stand at the GPs' lunch time session and that the issues regarding Stoke Aldermoor had been raised with the Community Partnership.

It was noted that the Single Equality scheme had yet to be received for publication on the Partnership website and Dr. Grainger reported that the scheme had currently been delayed but would be available shortly.

Ms. Perry reported that at a recent communications meeting it had been agreed to develop a calendar on the website so that awareness could be raised of future dates. It was agreed that more information would be submitted to a future meeting.

Dr. Grainger circulated some amended Terms of Reference which contained one slight amendment regarding taking part in the JSNA Data Day. It was noted that work was ongoing with partners to further develop the Terms of Reference and a further draft would be submitted to a future meeting.

An exercise was undertaken in relation to considering the future membership of the group. Names were written down and passed to Dr. Grainger and it was noted that work would be undertaken to develop the membership list further in conjunction with the Terms of Reference.

Action:

Sarah Perry to provide information re Communications Calendar.

SP

Action:

To submit Terms of Reference and Membership to future meeting.

CG/HT

3. Breastfeeding Presentation

Mrs Arrowsmith and Ms McDonald gave a presentation on the work that had been undertaken to support breastfeeding within Coventry. It was noted that as part of the work a directory of baby friendly premises has been developed and an audit of the premises would take place in the Summer 2009. It was noted that initial data was showing an increase in breastfeeding initiation rates.

Mrs Arrowsmith reported that it was hoped to expand the peer worker role to work with GPs and to roll out the DVD that had been developed during the year. It was noted that a campaign would also be held to try and change the law in relation to breastfeeding in public to mirror Scotland. In response to a question from Dr. Grainger regarding peer worker volunteers, Mrs McDonald reported that work had been undertaken to look at whether a more sustainable approach might be available if the volunteers were paid.

In relation to the Coventry law, Dr Grainger reported that a Public Health conference was being arranged for 4th June which might be a vehicle to use for the launch of a campaign. She also suggested that breastfeeding needed to be included in PHSE classes.

Dr. Grainger also suggested that it might be possible to arrange for a stand to promote the work at a GP education session and undertook to talk to Dr. Taggart regarding this.

Action:

Dr. Grainger to talk to Dr. Taggart re a stand at GP education session.

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4. Public Health Programme 2009-12

Mr. Thompson provided an update on the large Public Health programmes which would be underway from 2009-12. It was noted that the approach was to integrate and build upon the current work being undertaken in the city and that the programme had now expanded from 5 to 9 programmes. It was noted that work was ongoing with the City Council to transfer the funding during the current financial year. It was noted that the schools programme linked attainment with health and the new National Challenge Schools programme. The Fit for Health programme would be undertaken in partnership to provide Coventry and Warwickshire's link into the 2012 work.

It was noted that specifications were being developed to tie in partners and other programmes and to raise the profile of the City.

Dr. Grainger reported that funding would be top sliced to provide performance management staff and the section 256 grant would be overseen by the Section 75 board as the formal governance process. It was noted that work was currently ongoing to finalise more detailed performance management arrangements.

Dr. Grainger thanked Mr Thompson formally for his work as an External Consultant supporting the PCT and the Local Authority in relation to the development of the Business Cases and the programmes.

5. National Support Team Visit – Teenage Pregnancy

A report regarding the visit in February 2009 was tabled at the meeting. It was noted that the teenage pregnancy position in Coventry was not improving and the latest data showed that the position was worsening. There had been an increase in terminations, therefore the pregnancies did not necessarily result in a live birth. It was noted that the visit had produced 65 recommendations which had been consolidated into two main issues: Accessibility to contraception and the lack of effective relationship and sex education within the city. Dr Grainger reported that she had challenged the perception of lack of accessibility to contraceptives as there was a six day a week service however she accepted that there might be communications issues regarding the client group's awareness of where services could be accessed.

Dr Grainger reported that she would be pushing for changes to the PHSE curriculum used in Coventry and the Family Nurse Partnership programme would address contraceptives and parenting issues. In response to a question, Dr Grainger acknowledged that some services were not always deemed to be young person friendly.

6. LAA Half Year Report

The half year report against the LAA targets have been circulated to members and Dr Grainger referred to a few highlights. In response to the Chlamydia target, Dr Grainger reported that Quarter 3 showed 4000 screenings against a target of 8500. It was noted that significant improvement had been made on the previous year however the target was unlikely to be met. Work needed to be undertaken with the universities to encourage the screening of students. It was noted that the mortality data trend was coming down nicely. In relation to smoking, a review of the service had taken place during the year and it was unlikely that the target was going to be met. The likely year end position would however allow a secure footing for next year's performance.

7. Feedback from CEN

There was no-one from CEN present for this item.

8. Date and Time of Next Meeting

Thursday 14th May 2009

Venue: Diamond Room 2, Council House