

HEALTH AND WELLBEING GROUP

Minutes of Meeting held on 9th July 2009

Present:	Cllr Heather Johnson (Chair)	Coventry City Council
	Jean Arrowsmith	Coventry City Council
	John Brodie	Coventry City Council
	Cllr Joseph Clifford	Coventry City Council
In Attendance:	Heather Thornton	Coventry PCT
	Sarah Perry	Coventry Partnership
	Mark Smith	Coventry PCT
	Emma O'Dowd	C&W Solihull Sports Partnership
Apologies:	Janet Baker	Government Office
	John Brady	Coventry City Council
	Simon Brake	Coventry City Council
	Rupinder Gill	Coventry City Council
	Dr Caron Grainger	Coventry PCT
	Vanessa Brown	C&W Solihull Sports Partnership

1. Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on the 19th March 2009 were approved as a correct record.

2. Matters arising from the minutes

Ms. Perry reported that the communications calendar had been loaded onto the front page of the Partnership website.

3. LAA Final Year Report

A copy of the LAA indicators relating to people of Coventry living longer, healthier, independent lives had been circulated prior to the meeting.

Councillor Clifford reported that a joint Scrutiny exercise in relation to teenage pregnancy would be held with the Children and Young People's Partnership.

It was noted that there were some concerns that the initiatives that had been put in place were not having the required effect. Mr. Smith reported that the PCT and Local Authority needed to think carefully regarding creativity and innovation. It was noted that a significant amount of work was being undertaken, however very little impact on the target had been achieved to date. It was noted that Price Waterhouse Cooper were undertaking a piece of work with the Sexual Health Partnership to look at the Commissioning drivers. In September, the Healthy Schools initiative would move towards Healthy Schools Plus and two additional targets would need to be

met, one of which could be locally determined. It was likely that one target would relate to teenage pregnancy.

In response to a question from Councillor Johnson regarding best practice elsewhere, it was agreed that information should be sought from Telford and Wrekin who had successfully reduced teenage pregnancy rates.

Mrs Arrowsmith reported that none of the LAA targets seemed to reflect the work that was being undertaken by the Local Authority in relation to health inequalities and suggested that a target should be added regarding length of life. It was agreed to discuss the issue with Jenni Venn

Action:

Mr. Smith to discuss with Jenni Venn the LAA targets

MS

4. Consultation Paper on Governance and Partnership Working Around the Health Agenda

Councillor Johnson introduced the report which outlined a number of options regarding the way forward for the Health and Wellbeing Group.

It was noted that in November 2008 the Health and Wellbeing Group had agreed to revisit the Terms of Reference and arrangements regarding the group due to issues that had been identified.

Councillor Johnson identified a number of errors in the report and it was agreed to amend these and re-circulate the paper to members who were absent to ask them to record and return their comments in writing prior to the close of the consultation at the end of August.

In response to a question from Mrs. Arrowsmith, Mr. Smith reported that the new structure would allow a programme and project structure and would bring the two aspects together. It was noted that the Health and Wellbeing Group in future would have a broader look across all interventions to see whether health was improving and health inequalities were reducing for the city.

In response to a question Mr. Smith reported that reports from the Executive Group would be fed to the wider Health and Wellbeing Group on a regular basis.

Mrs. Arrowsmith expressed concern that a number of individuals would be excluded from the Executive Group which could cause communication difficulties.

Members agreed to re-circulate the revised paper with a covering letter seeking written comments by the 28th August. If comments were not received it would be assumed that the group fully supported the document.

Ms Perry reported that a copy of the Consultation paper would need to be submitted to the Partnership Board on the 17th September.

It was agreed that once the Consultation document had been to the Partnership a further meeting would be arranged in October to finalise the arrangements.

Action

To re-circulate paper with covering letter

HT/CG

5. Feedback from CEN

There was no-one present from the CEN.

6. Items for Information

Mrs. Arrowsmith reported that the Active for Health programme had re-started. Mr. Smith suggested that this was linked in with Mr. Thompson's work in relation to Work and Health project.

Councillor Johnson reported it would be helpful to have a project directory with name and contact details of the lead individuals so that people could link in appropriately.

Mr. Smith reported that a communications exercise would be undertaken regarding the launch of the programme, however the detail had yet to be determined. He agreed to keep members of the Health and Wellbeing Group informed.

Councillor Clifford reported that he had recently been to a consultation meeting regarding care quality commission and it was agreed to provide details to be circulated to members.

Mrs. Arrowsmith reported that it has been agreed that Coventry would continue with the Health Inequalities Beacon work even though the Beacon status was coming to an end.

Action

Mr Smith to develop a contact directory for all of the projects.

MS

Action

Circulate details to members

JC/HT

6. Date and Time of Next Meeting

To be confirmed **October 2009.**

Venue: TBC