

Minutes of the NHS Rotherham Clinical Commissioning Group

GP Members Committee Meeting

Wednesday 27 February 2019 at 12.30 -3.30 pm

G.04 Elm Room, Oak House

QUORUM

**Committee have 7 voting GP members
Quorum is at least 5 GP Members (or their respective deputies)**

Members or Deputies Present:

Dr Geoff Avery (GA) - Chair
Dr Simon MacKeown (SM) - Deputy Chair
Dr Bipin Chandran (BC)
Dr Neil Thorman

Dr Subbannan Sukumar (SS)
Dr Gokul Muthoo (GM)
Dr Jason Page (JP)
Dr Simon Bradshaw (SB)
Dr Simon Langmead (SL)

Blyth Road,
St Anne's Medical Centre
Treeton Medical Centre
Kiveton Park Primary Care
Centre
High Street, Rawmarsh
Stag Medical Practice and LMC
Vice Chair Rotherham SCE
Crown Street Surgery
Broom Lane Surgery

In Attendance:

Mr Chris Edwards (CE),
Mrs Wendy Allott (WA)
Mrs Sue Cassin (SC)
Mr Ian Atkinson (IA),
Mrs Melanie Robinson (MR)
Ms Deborah McGarvey
Mr Paul Theaker
Dr Anand Barmade

Chief Officer
Chief Finance Officer
Chief Nurse
Deputy Chief Officer
Minute Taker
PA
Commissioning Manager
SCE GP

Apologies:

Dr Richard Cullen (RC),
Dr Tim Douglas (TD)
Dr Shivalingham Chandran (SC)

Chair Rotherham SCE
Dinnington Group Practice
Rawmarsh Medical Centre

No. Item

1. Present and Apologies:

Apologies were noted from Drs S Chandran, Cullen and Douglas

2. Quorum

Dr Avery declared the meeting has being quorate.

3. Declarations Interests

The Chair reminded members of their obligations to declare any interest they may have on any issues arising at meeting which might conflict with the business of the NHS Rotherham Clinical Commissioning Group.

Declarations declared by members are listed in the CCG's register of interests. The register is available on the CCG website at the following link:

http://www.rotherhamccg.nhs.uk/about-us/declaration-of-business-interests_2.htm

4. Declarations of Interests from today's meeting

Drs Avery, Muthoo and Thorman declared an interest in Item 7 - The Implementation of Primary Care Networks.

Dr Avery declared an indirect interest in Item 4 - Rotherham Maternity Transformation.

5. GPMC Draft Minutes 30 January 2019

The minutes of the meeting held on 30 January 2019 were approved as a true reflection of the meeting.

Item 7- GPMC Draft Minutes 28 November 2019

Dr Avery informed the meeting that Dr Cullen and he had visited the practice which had given an answer of "no" to both questions circulated with the Vote of Confidence.

Dialogue had been undertaken around the Retention Scheme, EMIS, Quality Contract and GMS/PMS and communication issues.

Dr Thorman informed the meeting of the concerns raised by the practice and felt there was a need for further transparency and clarity by the CCG.

Mr Atkinson acknowledged the concerns around communication and decision making and asked members for suggestions for making improvements.

Item 8 – Tele- Dermatology Service

Dr Thorman raised an issue around the transfer of work created by this service development and informed the meeting that although LMC should have been asked to give an opinion, to date they have not.

Mr Atkinson informed the meeting that the paper was to go back to the Primary Care Committee meeting.

Dr Avery to contact the LMC for the paper to go the next meeting for discussion.

Item 17d – Mental Health Transformation

In response to the issue raised by Dr Sukumar around IAPT, Mr Atkinson informed the members that key indicators were showing that IAPT is delivering on waiting times – 6 week for Triage and 18 weeks for treatment.

Dialogue is being undertaken with RDaSH around the CBT Pathway waiting times which are proving challenging.

6. Rotherham Maternity Transformation Funding Plan

Mr Paul Theaker joined the meeting.

Dr Page presented the paper to provide members with an outline of the Rotherham Maternity Transformation Funding Plan and an update in relation to its implementation. The plan demonstrates how the Local Maternity System's six formal trajectories are being delivered within Rotherham as requested by the SY&B Local Maternity System Board.

Dr Page highlighted the Better Birth Plan and informed members that the plan offers women 3 ways of giving birth:-

1. Consultant Lead Unit
2. Midwifery Lead Unit
3. Home Births

Mr Edwards is the lead for South Yorkshire & Bassetlaw (SY&B). There is currently a focus across SY&B on achieving the target of 20% of women on the Continuity of Carer pathway from March 2019. The Rotherham projection is that this target will be met locally (20% projection). The pilot of the care plan is due to start in March 2019 and a business case for space at TRFT is to be taken forward.

Mr Theaker informed the meeting that there will be Maternity Hubs at Aston, Maltby and Rawmarsh and there is also a suggestion of Pop-up Hubs.

The meeting discussed the problems being experienced with the continuity of Community Midwives and the impact of Community Midwives providing cover at TRFT.

Mr Edwards asked members to be aware the pilot is nationally driven by what the mums are wanting to experience.

Dr MacKeown informed the meeting of the Maternity Voices Partnerships, the group held a meeting last week and are to undertake work with vulnerable groups.

The meeting discussed whether the increase in home births would have any reflection on financial funding. Mr Atkinson informed the meeting that the transformation money is one off funding.

Dr Thorman enquired around the numbers of home births in Rotherham. Mr Theaker is to obtain the relevant data.

Members endorsed the Rotherham Maternity Transformation Funding Plan.

Mr Theaker left the meeting.

Action: Mr Theaker to provide the Home Birth Data.

7. Reducing Outpatients QIPP – Minor Eye Conditions service

Dr Anand Barmade joined the meeting and presented the Procurement of a Minor Eye Conditions Service paper. Dr Barmade informed the members that the purpose of the papers was to gain approval to procure a Minor Eye Conditions Service across Rotherham as part of the Care Navigation and QIPP scheme agenda.

Dr Barmade informed the meeting of the background to the paper and highlighted that there had been changes made to the list of eye conditions, based on clinical risk and urgent cases being seen within 24 hours. Agreement has been made that clear care navigation protocols would need to be in place and training required to reception staff. Dr Barmade highlighted the Service Model explaining to the members that this would be based on an organisation managing the service on behalf of or employing local optometrists to deliver. There would be a minimum of 3 hubs with the expectation that 1 of the hubs provides an evening and weekend service.

Dr Barmade reported to the meeting that it is expected that the introduction of the MEC service will provide an annual saving of £142,304 with the cost of service taken into account and the information this is based on.

Dr B Chandran enquired if patients attending EUCC with an eye condition would be assessed or redirected to one of the hubs.

Members enquired if there was an age limit for the service and Dr Barmade informed members that the service age over 18 years.

Members discussed the use of referral templates or forms and Dr Barmade reported to the members that there would be no forms or templates and patients would be given a contact telephone number for the service.

Dr Thorman raised an issue around Care Navigators being put in the situation of making referrals and providing clinical advice to patients.

Dr Barmade informed the meeting of the referral process and the flow chart Care Navigators would observe.

Dr Barmade agreed to feedback today's dialogue to CCG colleagues.

Members approved the procurement of the Minor Eye Conditions Service.

Action: Dr Barmade to feedback to CCG colleagues.

8. RCGG Commissioning Plan Performance Report Q3

Mr Atkinson presented the RCGG Commissioning Plan Performance Report Q3 and informed members that he acknowledged the narrative had moved on and will report by exception at Governing Body meeting next week.

Mr Atkinson reported to the members that Mental Health Social Prescribing pilot was introduced for individuals for long term patients 18 months ago with good results and patients being discharged from the service. This financial year RCGG are not seeing patients coming off the pathway. Dr Brynes is undertaking dialogue with RDaSH colleagues.

Dr MacKeown informed the members that patients' feedback was suggesting the pathway was not working.

Mr Atkinson informed about the IAPT pathway and the challenge to where to pitch Social Prescribing on the pathway.

Mr Atkinson reported to the members that

- Urgent Care is proving challenging and showing red at Q3 and positive regarding the milestones.
- Suicide Prevention is challenged at Q3 and there has been a significant increase in incidents, this area will possibly become a red milestone next year. Members will receive an update around this at the next meeting.
- Urgent Care Standards – TRFT Outpatients are over trading. Assurance was given that this will not affect RCGG financially
- Members noted that Lead Officers have provided commentary against the milestones where performance is off tract.

Dr Avery enquired whether there was a need to look at an incentive with regard to prescribing.

Mrs Allott informed the members prescribing figures was an area for possible review next

year.

Mrs Allott explained to the members how previous price reductions had been achieved, the market areas affecting increases in pricing and the core issue of Rotherham having a dependant population.

Members of the meeting agreed there was a need to discuss ways of reducing the costs of prescribing and whether other CCGs refuse to prescribe over the counter drugs. RCCG have Guidelines around over the counter drugs.

Dr Thorman informed the members of the NHS England 'Letter Of Comfort' – Over The Counter Prescribing for GPs.

Members noted the RCCG Commissioning Plan Performance Report Q3.

Action:

9. Implementation of Primary Care Networks

Mr Edwards informed the members of the recently published GP Contract Reform and highlighted the requirement for localities to become networks and the implications this will have for Rotherham practices.

Mr Edwards informed the members of the 3 stage of the process:-

- Stage 1. Rotherham practices to be in a network with a practice/practices they that are geographically aligned to and covering 30-50,000 population
- Stage 2. The appointment of a Clinical Director for each Network
- Stage 3. A nominated bank account for each Network.
- . Sign-up is required by early May 2019.

Members discussed the wording of the document.

Mr Edwards informed the meeting that the document has been discussed at the RCCG/LMC meeting and there was to be a workshop discussion at the 14 March 2019 PLTC Event at New York Stadium.

The meeting discussed how to police a practice within the Networks if the practice was underachieving.

Mr Edwards highlighted to the members that a clarification document will be received towards the end of March 2019.

Dr Thorman and Mr Edwards informed the meeting that they would be happy to visit practices to offer support and will circulate a letter to all practices giving clarity of the ask and inform members of the discussion at the PLTC event.

Dr Thorman and Mr Edwards are to receive the thoughts of practices prior to the PLTC event.

Action: Dr Thorman and Mr Edwards to circulate a letter to all practices.

10. CAMHS Trailblazer

The CAMHS Trailblazer paper was presented to the meeting for information.

Dr Page informed the members that the CAMHS Trailblazer pilot was a joint bid with Doncaster Clinical Commissioning Groups with funding for a 2 year period.

Dr Thorman highlighted to the members that due to the training of staff the pilot would potentially be of 3 months delivery and enquired if RCCG would have to incur any potential redundancy payments for staff.

Mr Atkinson explained to the meeting that RCCG has made no provision for these costs within their long term plans.

Dr Thorman enquired if monies from this pilot would be available for the Early Help service to fund councillors.

Mr Atkinson informed the funding was available for the CAMHS Trailblazer pilot. Mr Atkinson to discuss Early Help funding with Jenny Lingrell, Assistant Director, Commissioning, Performance & Inclusion.

Members noted the report and the schools approved to be involved in the pilot.

Action: Mr Atkinson discuss Early Help Funding with Jenny Lingrell

11. Hosted Networks - ICS

The Hosted Networks – ICS paper was presented for information. Members noted the paper.

Action:

12. Issues Logs

- a) RDaSH Issues Log

A copy of the log was distributed to members to review for information.

- b) TRFT Issues Log

Members reviewed the TRFT Issues Log for information.

13. Locality Feedback and Outstanding Issues.

Members reviewed the log for information.

14. Feedback from GPMC Members attending sub-committees

a) Practice Managers Forum

Mr Wills informed the meeting that the Practice Managers Forum had discussed the following:-

- RMBC Contracts – Sally Jenks
- Payments to CGL
- Parkwood
- Medicines Management – Raz Saleem, RCCG
- PMS/GMS Parity – Louise Jones, RCCG
- Locums and IR35
- Dene Healthcare
- Federation
- CCG Update – Rachel Garrison
- Rotherham App – Joanne Martin and Substrakt Representative

b) Community Transformation

Dr MacKeown informed the meeting that the Community Transformation group had met this morning and the meeting was not engaging the GP voice. It was felt this may change with the implementation of the Networks.

Dr MacKeown reported that the

- Integrated Rapid Response Team has been implemented and working well.
- GPs not being made aware of their patients going into or coming out of care homes. The group is to look at Care Homes.
- Costs of high intensity care – the review of patients' needs.
- Community Transformation Terms of Reference

c) IT Strategy Group

No feedback available

d) Mental Health Transformation

Mr Atkinson informed the meeting of the joint Suicide Prevention work being undertaken with colleagues and informed the meeting of the number of incidents reported in Rotherham from January 2019.

The commissioned Engagement and Communications update around this area has been brought forward from March/April.

Mr Atkinson informed the meeting of the work being undertaken by Dr Brynes around Dementia Care following the recently published NICE Guidelines. Dr Brynes is to present a paper to the LMC.

e) A&E Delivery Group

Mr Atkinson informed the meeting that the A&E Delivery Group has discussed:-

- Winter Plan – 70% focused discharge out of TRFT to the community and intermediate care beds
- Delayed Transfers of Care is in a positive position and working well.
- Issues around the poor performance of A&E performance and the factors around this.

f) Nursing update

Mrs Cassin informed the meeting that:-

- Following the recent CQC visit TRFT has been given a Requires Improvement rating.
- Dialogue taking place with NHS England around this.
- [CQC TRFT Inspection Report 310119](#)
- Mrs Cassin is to attend a CSE/A National Policies Discussion Event.

g) Primary Care Committee

Members noted the minutes from the 16 January 2019 meeting for information.

h) Connect Health Care (Federation) Feedback

Dr Muthoo reported to the members that:-

- The appointment to the current Managing Director post had been unsuccessful.
- Lay Members for the Connect Health Care (Federation) – recruiting process underway.
- Mrs Keely Firth has joined Connect Health Care as Financial Lead – 2 sessions per month.
- The embroiling of the Hubs in April 2019

15. Feedback from Key Issues Discussed at RCCG Governing Body

Dr Avery informed the members that the RCCG Governing Body meeting had discussed the following items:-

HR Annual Report

RCCG Policies

a) Chief Officers Report – April 2018

Report circulated for information.

Members noted the report.

b) South Yorkshire & Bassetlaw (SY&B) Integrated Care System

No items raised.

Feedback of Key Issues Discussed at SCE

Dr Page informed the members that the meeting has discussed SEND and reported that the SEND paper would come to the next GPMC meeting.

16. Items for PLTC Consideration

Dr Thorman raised the suggestion of a Medicines Management workshop around prescribing commodities.

Action: Mrs Cassin to take the suggestion to the SCE meeting.

17. Any Other Business

No items raised

18. Urgent Issues, Escalations and Risks Raised

No Items raised

19. Next Meeting: Wednesday 27 March 2019, 12.30 – 3.30 pm, Elm Room, G.04, Oak House

No Lunch Provided