

Minutes of: YOUTH CABINET

Date of Meeting: 13 October 2016

Present: Councillors R Cathcart, D Jones, G Keeley, J Kelly, O Kersh, E O'Brien and J Walker

Also in attendance: Nathan Boroda
Lachlan Burke
Emily Branney
William Hetherington
Daniel Hulme
Emily Keeley
Jamie Kelly
Jordan Kelly
Numair Khalid
Clarissa Potts (in the Chair)
Harriet Potts
Bilal Qureshi
Sam Rubens
Brandon Thirtrell
Noah Wardle
Helen Wilson

Public Attendance: No members of the public were present at the meeting.

Apologies for Absence: Owen McGrattan

YC.1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made at the meeting.

YC.2 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

It was agreed:

That the Minutes of the last meeting held on 18 July 2016 be approved as a correct record.

YC.3 MATTERS ARISING

Further to Minute YC.4 of the minutes of the last meeting a number of young people who used Radcliffe Skate Park attended the meeting to ask what progress had been made in relation to the renovation of the Skate Park and the grant that had been received.

They explained that the surface of the equipment needed repairing as it was becoming dangerous to use.

Councillor Jamie Walker explained that there had been discussions regarding the fence and other repairs that were needed on the site. Councillor Walker suggested that he attend the park to discuss requirements with those that use it. It was hoped that this could be done during half term when more people were there.

Further to Minute YC.6 of the minutes of the last meeting it was reported that the voting for the Make Your Mark debate had finished. There had been 4653 votes cast in Bury which was almost double the number that voted last year.

The national results would be announced on 14 October 2016.

YC.4 URGENT CARE SERVICE REDESIGN

Stuart North, Chief Officer at Bury CCG attended the meeting to explain about the current public engagement that was being carried out in relation to urgent care services across the six towns of Bury.

It was explained that there were currently a number of different options available to access healthcare across the borough; 111 telephone service, A & E, Walk in Centres, GP out of hours, BARDOC, Pharmacists, GP and 999 Ambulance. This could be confusing as often people didn't know which service to access or weren't aware of what was available.

The CCG were looking to have a more integrated system which followed 5 principles

- Delivers the best possible outcomes for the patients of Bury.
- Promotes self- care for patients where appropriate.
- Builds on NHS 111 as a single point of access.
- Reduce duplication and confusion for patients.
- Develops the concept of the clinical hub for Bury as described in recent guidance.

It was explained that the virtual hub would be the first point of contact for people requiring urgent care (unless it was a emergency that required an ambulance) from where they would be offered advice and signposted to the relevant service. There would also be 5 wound clinics across the borough which would provide dressings for wounds and outpatient appointments.

Those present were given the opportunity to ask questions and make comments and the following points were raised:-

- The walk in centres were good to have and provided a good service.
- The 111 telephone service was good as you could have a telephone consultation and receive advice rather than having to make an appointment.
- Councillor Jones asked whether a young person would be offered advice if they visited a pharmacist with concerns.

Stuart Stated that he would find out whether there was any guidance relating to advice from pharmacists for young people.

Stuart stated that the consultation was running until the 31 October and asked all those with any comments to take part.

- An online survey is available on the CCG website www.buryccg.nhs.uk

- A paper copy of the survey can be obtained by calling **0161 762 3106** or by emailing buccg.communications@nhs.net
- Views can be sent in via the CCG website feedback facility; by e-mail (as above) or by letter to NHS Bury CCG, Communications and Engagement Team (Urgent Care Redesign), 21 Silver Street, Bury, BL9 0EN

It was agreed:

That Stuart be thanked for his presentation.

YC.5 CIRCLES OF INFLUENCE

Heather reported that she would update the Cabinet at its next meeting when the information from the event had been reviewed by the relevant officers and their comments and feedback added.

YC.6 BURY SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN'S BOARD ANNUAL REPORT

Heather reported that the Bury Safeguarding Annual Report had been produced. The report had been written by the officers that were tasked with ensuring that all Bury Children are safe. Heather explained that the report was very much adult focussed and the Board were keen to have a young person's version of it to help understand the facts.

Heather split the young people into groups and asked the adults present to join one of the groups. Each group was then given a list of statements taken from the Annual Report. They were asked to edit any statements that didn't make sense and cross out any that weren't relevant.

The groups were then asked to discuss the safeguarding issues that they felt affected them most in their lives or were discussed most in their friendship groups. The following points were highlighted:-

- Sexual Health and abusive relationships
- Mental Health
- Cyber bullying
- Counselling services should be more readily available
- Street lights not bright enough
- Feeling safe when out and about
- Threat of other people
- Social media – trolling and bullying

YC.7 THE BIG DEBATE: SHOULD THE AGE AT WHICH A PERSON CAN BUY ALCOHOL REMAIN AT 18 OR BE LOWERED?

The members present debated this topic. Opening speeches were made and arguments for and against were discussed.

After the debate those present were asked to vote and it was agreed that the age at which a person can buy alcohol should remain at 18.

YC.8 FUTURE DEBATE TOPICS

- The House of Lords – Should the Lords who sit in the House of Lords be elected by the electorate as MPs are?
- Should pupils be allowed to use their mobile phones in school?
- Should private schools be abolished and enforced state education introduced?

Clarissa Potts
Chair

(Note: The meeting started at 5.00pm and ended at 7.00pm)