

**Minutes of the 103rd meeting of the South Eastern Local
Commissioning Group held at 2pm on Thursday 6 February 2020 in
The Ballynahinch Baptist Church, 24 Lisburn Rd, Ballynahinch
BT24 8BL.**

PRESENT:

Ms Heather Monteverde	-	(in the chair) Community/Vol Rep
Dr James McGlew	-	General Practitioner
Dr Jonathan Howe	-	General Practitioner
Dr Michael Johnson	-	General Practitioner
Ms Michelle Lavery	-	Public Health Agency
Ms Jane McMillan	-	Social Services
Ms Louise Seymour	-	Community Pharmacist
Cllr Cadogan Enwright	-	Local Government
Cllr Dermot Curran	-	Local Government
Cllr Andrew Ewing	-	Local Government

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr Paul Turley	-	South Eastern Commissioning Lead
Mrs Bernie Mooty	-	Commissioning Officer, SELCG
Cllr Alex Swann	-	Local Government

APOLOGIES:

Apologies for absence were received from Alderman Angus Carson, Mr Colin Bradley, Mr David Heron, Ms Pauline McMullan and Ms Caroline Bloomfield.

45/20 **Opening Remarks**

(i) Welcome

The deputy Chair, Ms Heather Monteverde, welcomed everyone to the 103rd public meeting of the South Eastern Local Commissioning Group. The deputy chair also welcomed, member of the public, Cllr Alex Swann, to the public meeting.

Chairman's Business**(ii) Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

Members confirmed that they had no conflicts of interest in respect of any of the items on the agenda, as listed, and should any interests arise during discussion they would be declared accordingly.

(iii) Correspondence

None.

(iv) Engagements

- Cllr Ewing attended the Safeguarding Virtual community support hub in partnership with the PSNI and NIAS. This is a support hub where all agencies work together and facilitate early intervention to reduce vulnerability and improve a person's wellbeing.
- Cllr Ewing also reported that he had further follow up with the Trust in respect of car parking in streets around LVH and that assurances had been given about how this could be further investigated. Mr Turley welcomed this and Cllr Ewing's pursuance of matters regarding concerns by members of future access and exit from the LVH site once the new HCC was operated.
- The deputy Chair informed members that she is leading on the development of a work stream of the NI Cancer Strategy and had attended the NI Cancer Strategy 2020 Conference on the 31 January in the Park Avenue Hotel. The conference was an opportunity to confirm, check and add to the information and work developed to date on

cancer services and each of the seven work streams; Prevention, Diagnosis, Treatment, Care and Support, Living Well, End of Life, Palliative Care and Children and Young people. Ms Monteverde advised members that the new strategy should be completed and with the Department by the summer.

- Mr Turley had attended the Chairs and Leads Meeting on Wednesday 29th January 2020 at which Dr Christine McMaster, PHA, gave a presentation on the proposed Future Direction for Respiratory Services. Mr Turley said that it looked at how we commission and the opportunities at local level. In terms of respiratory, Mr Turley indicated that he would like to see this area prioritised in the ICP work plan. An Integrated Care Regional Prototype was also discussed at the meeting. Mr Turley advised members that he will be working with the King's Fund in London with regards to this population approach.

47/20 **Minutes of the Previous Meeting held on 6 Dec 2019.**

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 6 Dec 2019 were approved. The minutes were signed by the Deputy Chair.

48/20 **Matters Arising from the Minutes**

(i) **Page 2 – Correspondence**

Mr Turley advised members that he had attended the event at Oxford Island on 14 January on Commissioners and Funders with shared interest in community development approached to tackling health inequalities in NI, was a very useful workshop with greater focus being around healthy living centres.

(ii) Page 4 – LCG Member Recruitment

Mr Turley informed members that there had been a positive response to the advertisements in relation to the recruitment of LCG members in terms of Local councillors, dentists, pharmacists and Community and Voluntary posts. There was, however, no response to the GP post. Mr Turley agreed to follow up on this. Interviews will take place around the end of February. Appointments will be considered at the public Board Meeting on 12 March 2020 with the aim to have all in post by April 2020.

Mr Turley

Mr Turley also advised that the next LCG meeting in March will be the last meeting for the majority of LCG members.

(iii) Page 4 – Prescribing Savings Committee

Mr Turley advised that at this morning's workshop Mr Greg Miller and Mr Chris Blayney were present to talk to members about an IPT on FeNo (Fraction of Exhaled Nitrous Oxide). The proposal is to purchase FeNO machines and 100 tests allowing all 13 practices in the Lisburn Federation area to offer FeNO testing on a 1 year trial basis. Dr Johnson expressed his view on the purchase of the FeNO machines and confirmed he was content with the proposal.

Members agreed to **ENDORSE** the proposal in principle subject to final consideration of the IPT.

In terms of the prescribing committee Mr Turley asked members to consider if they wished to get involved or if they knew of any medical colleagues that would like to get involved in the work of committee. Mr Turley advised members that the prescribing committee ToR are being reviewed and can be shared at the March meeting.

Mr Taylor

(iv) Page 5 – SET Demography investments

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Mr Turley advised members that he was working through a set of proposals from the Trust in relation to demography. There are still a number of outstanding IPTs from last year and business cases still need to be signed off by the Trust.

Mr Turley also pointed out that winter resilience funding had been made recurrent to help deal with pressures in unscheduled care. He advised that SET received £2m of this recurrent funding. It will now be a case of back tracking with the Trust to see how this money was invested and what additionality was reported.

49/20 **Report by Commissioning Lead**

Mr Turley, Commissioning Lead, covered the following matters on the Commissioning update report.

(i) New Decade, New Approach

Mr Turley circulated to members a copy of the New Decade, New approach document that represents the deal which the UK Government and Irish Government are inviting the parties to endorse as a basis for restoring the Executive. He went on to say that parties have agreed that the immediate priorities for the restored Executive will be transforming our health service with a long term funding- strategy. The Executive will set out to

- settle the long term pay dispute
- introduce a new action plan on waiting times
- deliver reforms on health and social care

Dr Johnston commented that the issues associated with Unscheduled Care will be important within this review.

Mr Turley pointed out that the Executive will also provide increased investment to fully implement service improvements for palliative and end of life

care.

The Executive will publish a Mental Health Action Plan within 2 months; a Mental Health Strategy by December 2020; a successor strategy and action plan to the Strategic Direction for Alcohol and Drugs Phase 2 within 3 months; and a new strategy and implementation plan on cancer by December 2020.

Further discussion took place around the commitment to deliver an extra 900 nursing and midwifery undergraduate places over the next three years.

Mr Turley went on to inform members that the Executive will build capacity in general practice through the ongoing rollout of Multi Disciplinary teams to cover a further 100,000 additional patients by March 2021.

Members also discussed the Executive's aim to expand university provision at Magee in line with commitments made by the previous Executive, including, through the establishment of a Graduate Entry Medical School.

(ii) ICP Update

Mr Turley advised that at the morning workshop, members received an update from ICP Colleagues, Dr Winter, Dr Leggett and Ms Scullion on the work that is evolving with the South Eastern Health Partnership. Members agreed that this was encouraging work. Mr Turley also agreed to continue to engage with the ICP with regards to taking forward a number of areas within the ICP work plan and reviewing Accountability Arrangements.

Mr Turley

(iii) Multidisciplinary Teams (MDTs)

Members also received at the workshop session, a

presentation from Dr David Ross, GP Federation, and Ms Julia Fitzhenry, MDT Programme Manager, SET on the Primary Care MDTs in the Down area.

(iv) Transformation Process

Mr Turley advised that the government has agreed in a confidence and supply agreement to provide the Northern Ireland Executive an additional £1 billion over five years. We await further guidance from the Department regarding how the schemes put in place under transformation will be dealt with.

(v) OP Waiting times

Dr McGlew raised concerns about patient waiting times information at locality level. He stressed that UHD wait for urgent is at 42 weeks and 72 weeks for LVH. Routine are not being seen at all. Mr Turley agreed that performance is very challenging for all Trusts and referred to the opportunities set out in New Decade, New Approach to address waiting times.

(vi) Health Improvement Investments

Mr Turley advised members that Mrs Bloomfield shared with him a template detailing a list of all our PHA Improvement investments in the SE Trust area. The total investment for this year, including service enhancements, is just under £5m. Mr Turley agreed to circulate the paper to members.

Mr Turley

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Date of Next Meeting:

The next meeting of the South Eastern Local Commissioning Group will be held on Thursday 5th March 2020 in Signal Centre, 2 Innotec Drive, Balloo Road, Bangor BT19 7PD.

SIGNED: _____

DATE: _____