

BIRMINGHAM CITY COUNCIL

**BIRMINGHAM HEALTH AND
WELLBEING BOARD
MEETING TUESDAY, 29
NOVEMBER, 2022**

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BIRMINGHAM HEALTH AND
WELLBEING BOARD HELD ON TUESDAY 29 NOVEMBER, 2022 AT
1000 HOURS IN COMMITTEE ROOMS 3 AND 4, COUNCIL HOUSE,
BIRMINGHAM, B1 1BB**

PRESENT: -

Councillor Mariam Khan, Cabinet Member for Health and Social Care and Chair for the Birmingham Health and Wellbeing Board in the Chair

Natalie Allen Chief Executive SIFA FIRESIDE

Councillor Matt Bennett, Opposition Spokesperson on Health and Social Care

Andy Cave, Chief Executive Officer, Healthwatch Birmingham

Andy Couldrick – Children's Trust

Dr Anne Coufopoulous. University College, Birmingham

Councillor Karen McCarthy, Cabinet Member for Children Young People and Families

David Melbourne, NHS Birmingham and Solihull CCG

Stephen Raybould, Programmes Director, Ageing Better, BVSC

Peter Richmond, Birmingham Social Housing Partnership

Jo Tonkin, Assistant Director (KEG), BCC

Dr Justin Varney, Director of Public Health

ALSO PRESENT:-

Aidan Hall, Service Lead, Programme Senior Officer

Louisa Nisbett, Committee Services

Helen Price (in place of Sue Harrison)

Sarah Pullen, Street Food Systems

Monika Rozanski, Service Lead Health Equalities

Ceri Saunders, Cabinet Support Officer

Marina Soltan, NHS

Greg Ward, Levelling up Programme

NOTICE OF RECORDING/WEBCAST

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The Chair welcomed attendees and advised that this meeting will be webcast for live or subsequent broadcast via the Council's meeting You Tube site (www.youtube.com/channel/UCT2kT7ZRPFCXq6_5dnVnYlw) and that

members of the press/public may record and take photographs except where there are confidential or exempt items.

DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

676 The Chair reminded Members that they must declare all relevant pecuniary and other registerable interests arising from any business to be discussed at this meeting. If a disclosable pecuniary interest is declared a Member must not participate in any discussion or vote on the matter and must not remain in the room unless they have been granted a dispensation.

If other registerable interests are declared a Member may speak on the matter only if members of the public are allowed to speak at the meeting but otherwise must not take part in any discussion or vote on the matter and must not remain in the room unless they have been granted a dispensation. If it is a 'sensitive interest', Members do not have to disclose the nature of the interest, just that they have an interest.

Information on the Local Government Association's Model Councillor Code of Conduct is set out via <http://bit.ly/3WtGQnN>

This includes, at Appendix 1, an interests flowchart which provides a simple guide to declaring interests at meetings.

There were no declarations made.

APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of
Richard Beeken – Sandwell & West Birmingham Hospitals
Professor Graeme Betts, Director of Adult Social Care
Suzanne Cleary, BC Healthcare, NHS Foundation Trust
Dr Clara Day (Vice-Chair) Chief Medical Officer, NHS Birmingham & Solihull ICB
Mark Garrick, Director of Strategy and Quality Development, UHB
Sue Harrison, Director for Children and Families, BCC
Riaz Khan, Dept. Work and Pensions
Dr Robin Miller UCB
Patrick Nyarumbu, Birmingham & Solihull Mental Health Trust

DATES OF MEETINGS

677 The Board noted the following meeting dates for the remainder of the Municipal Year 2022/23:-

Tuesday 31 January 2023
Tuesday 28 March 2023

All meetings will commence at 1000 hours unless stated otherwise.

MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING

- 678 The Minutes of the meeting held on 27 September, 2022, having been previously circulated, were confirmed and signed by the Chair.
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ACTION LOG

- 679 Aiden Hall, Programme Senior Officer (Governance) advised that there were no outstanding actions on the Action Log.
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CHAIR'S UPDATE

- 680 Councillor Mariam Khan, Cabinet Member for Health and Social Care welcomed Aiden Hall, Programme Senior Officer (Governance) who had replaced Dr Shiraz Sheriff, Service Lead – Governance, Public Health Division to support the Board. She placed on record thanks to Dr Shiraz Sheriff for his work.
- The Chair advised that she had sent a letter as Chair of the Creating a Healthy Food City Forum., which had also been signed off by the Leader of the Council to the Government regarding the Cost of Living Crisis calling for urgent national action. She undertook to circulate the letter to Committee Members. The 6 main themes were:-
 1. Appoint an independent commissioner for food security and a cross party and inter-agency taskforce to advise national and local government on rapid action to address the growing food security crisis.
 2. Extend Free School Meals to all children whose families are in receipt of Universal Credit
 3. Increase the value of Healthy Start Vouchers in line with inflation and extend eligibility.
 4. Require the Department of Work and Pensions to issue pre-sanction warnings and instigate direct verbal contact before benefits sanctions are enacted.
 5. Promote healthy and nutritious food by committing to keep all anti-obesity measures.
 6. Introduce income support measures for those on benefits and strengthen the welfare system longer term.
- Maintaining local government funding in line with inflation and ensuring the ring-fenced public health grant remains protected.
- The Chair announced that as it was her birthday there was some doughnuts and a healthy option available. .
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PUBLIC QUESTIONS

- 681 The Chair advised that there were no public questions for this meeting. The Board welcomed questions, any questions should be sent to HealthyBum@Birmingham.gov.uk.

COST OF LIVING CRISIS- MEASURES & RESPONSES UNDERTAKEN BY BIRMINGHAM CITY COUNCIL 010836/2022

Greg Ward, Levelling Up Programme Lead- Birmingham City Council gave an online presentation on the cost of living emergency using some slides. During the discussion that ensued Councillor Karen McCarthy spoke about the good work being carried out including the contribution from health colleagues and the sharing of ideas and experiences and with the right interventions to support families. Greg Ward welcomed any advice and a follow up discussion with Dr Anne Coufopoulous. University College, Birmingham.

The Chair referred to the Leader declaring a cost of living emergency and the hard work on a response. She mentioned that there were different types of warm spaces. In reply to her request for an update on support for foodbanks, Justin Varney reported that they were waiting on the proposal for additional funding for foodbanks to be approved. Sarah Pullen advised that her team was leading on food provision to support a lot of people in the City. They were finalising an application form to enable 100 foodbanks to receive £800 per month for a period.

Greg Ward said there were smaller grants to purchase things such as microwaves, kettles etc. to make spaces as accessible as possible. There was a more detailed application for larger spaces for furniture etc. The Chair thanked everyone for their joint up work.

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RESOLVED

That the presentation be noted and a copy of the application form be sent to Members.

COST OF LIVING CRISIS- BIRMINGHAM SOCIAL HOUSING PARTNERSHIP

The following document was submitted:-

(See document no. 1)

Peter Richmond, Chief Executive- Birmingham Village Trust presented the item and responded to questions.

David Melbourne noted that Birmingham had not been asked to be involved in the pilot which included Gloucestershire and 2 other areas. He understood that the NHS had put some resources aside for some small grants over the winter and undertook to follow this up outside of the meeting.

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RESOLVED:-

That the report be noted.

HWB STRATEGY DELIVERY PLAN AND INDICATOR DASHBOARD

The following report was submitted:-

(See document no. 2)

Jo Tonkin AD (KEG) gave an update to the Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) on the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy (JHWS) and the approach to delivering its 2030 ambitions. A dashboard had been created to bring together all of the indicators. An annual review will be submitted to the Board. Members were urged to explore the dashboard and give feedback.

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RESOLVED:-

- i) That the update on the strategy and indicator dashboard be noted; and
 - ii) That the approach to support the delivery of the strategy be agreed.
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CREATING A HEALTHY FOOD CITY FORUM- ANNUAL UPDATE

The following document was submitted:-

(See document no. 3)

Sarah Pullen, Service Lead, Food Systems gave a summary of the report and an update on delivery to date, and current and planned activity on selected workstreams within the context of the Creating a Healthy Food City Forum and wider food portfolio of work. During the discussion she requested feedback from the Board with regard to the resources needed and made reference to the Commonwealth Games website where there was a link to a lot of Community events across the City. The Creative dinner event attended by students was highlighted.

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RESOLVED:-

That the Board note the past and ongoing work by the Creating a Healthy Food City Forum.

CREATING A CITY WITHOUT INEQUALITIES FORUM- ToR's APPROVAL

The following report was submitted:-

(See document no. 4)

Monika Rozanski, Service Lead, Health Inequalities presented the Terms of reference (TOR) for the CCWIF and newly formed BLACHIR implementation Board.

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RESOLVED:-

- i) That the Committee approve the terms of reference for Creating a City Without Inequalities Forum; and
 - ii) That the Committee approve the terms of reference for the BLACHIR implementation Board.
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Information Items

FORWARD PLAN

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Aidan Hall presented the Forward Plan which was noted.

(See document no. 5)

WRITTEN UPDATES

The following written updates were on the Agenda for information only.

(See document nos. 6 to 8)

Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA)

Creating a Physically Active City Forum (CPACF) Report

Health Protection Forum (HPF) Report

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RESOLVED:-

That the written updates be noted.

OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

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The Chairman agreed that the following item could be considered as a matter of urgent business.

Service Pressure

David Melbourne reported as follows:-

- GP and ambulance turnaround times had improved in all areas but was not where they wanted them to be. Industrial action was planned for December. They would work to ensure that it had minimum impact.
- Free breakfast – They hoped to use some money from the NHS towards a prevention strategy.
- They had continued to deliver planned services during the winter.

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- Staffing vacancy rates – Only a 3rd of staff had taken the booster vaccine. Primary Care needed help and support. A third of calls to GP's were not from people needing a GP. It needed to be ensured that people could navigate the system.
- Justin Varney said that people could reduce the pressure by practicing self care and healthy eating. Pressure on the NHS through accidents was huge.
- People were going to PALS because they were not getting information from GPs. David Melbourne was working with Secondary Care Colleagues on how to decompress the system. Justin Varney spoke about the importance of understanding the cultural shift which was a long journey.
- Councillor Matt Bennett commented that Vaccine, MRI jabs etc were not on the forward plan and this was noted.
- The work of the HWB was commended. GP patients were more likely to present to the NHS. It was suggested that the warm spaces be used to give injections to people and that there should be a move towards generalist skills. Patients needed to be educated about healthcare.

The meeting ended at 1140 hours

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CHAIR