

## NOTES

### Health OSC Steering Group Monday 26 January 2015– B18b 2.00pm

Present:

- CC Yousuf Motala
- CC Margaret Brindle
- CC Fabian Craig-Wilson

Apologies received from:

- CC Steve Holgate

#### **Notes of last meeting**

The notes of the Steering Group meeting held on 5 January were agreed as correct following the amendments identified below:

The following bullet points are to be added to the notes of the meeting on 5 January

- CC Motala felt that there was an issue around GPs handing out anti-depressants (over prescription) – why not look at prevention measures.
- Blood tests that could be done by nurses at GP surgeries rather than be referred to a hospital – stream line the process.

#### **Healthier Lancashire Programme**

Officers had been invited to attend but subsequently were unavailable therefore it was agreed that they would be invited to a future meeting (13 April)

The Steering Group also requested that they be provided with a briefing paper prior to that meeting.

Healthier Lancashire – NHS England – need some background but NHSE a no show  
Notes of last meeting – see changes below

#### **General Update**

The Steering Group took the opportunity to receive and discuss updates on other health scrutiny activity:

- Wendy had recently met with Gill Brown – new Chief Exec of Healthwatch and CC Craig-Wilson said that she has also attend a Fylde Borough Council Scrutiny meeting
- HWB – update. SG to get copies of agendas etc when they are published– to be added to circulation list
- Work planning event after April Committee (14) – need to be planned (at meeting 16 March)
- Next Health Committee (4 March) – CC Azhar Ali and Dr Sakthi Karunanithi will be attending to discuss the wider health & wellbeing agenda, the development

and implementation of the Better Care Fund and the relationship between the HWB and the Committee

- Issues of links with HSC to be discussed at the next SG (23 Feb) – to aid with questions at Committee
- Members commented on the discussions that took place at Jan Committee – particularly about the lack of progress and positive outcomes from partnership working, examples of more joined approaches needed and shared priorities/workload/networking.
- Topics for future SGs
  - Learning disabilities
  - Services for deaf people – equity access to services. (also blind)
  - How to deal with 'flannel' from trusts
  - What difference do we actually make – not the NHS police, already inspected/monitored by independent organisations – discussion on how health can/could be delivered in the future
  - Support non-execs to scrutinise trusts more effectively.
  - Should we challenge the inspection regime – are they good enough?
  - Publicity and promotion of the scrutiny role
  - Immunisation amongst the immigrant population – they have a higher than birth rate

It was suggested that it would be useful for SG to receive a brief summary of what the roles and responsibilities the HWB and its partnerships have, and current position of the Public Health team for information. Wendy to liaise with Mike Leaf

Topics for future meetings:

- 23 February – East Lancs CCG re Hyndburn Health Access Centre and Calderstones re post CQC inspection update
- 16 March – Lancashire Care Foundation Trust update/workshop planning
- 13 April – Healthier Lancashire