

Minutes of the meeting of the joint Health Overview Policy and Scrutiny Committee and People and Families Policy and Scrutiny Committee, held in County Hall, Chelmsford on Thursday 2 December 2021 at 10:30am

Present

Cllr Jeff Henry (Chairman)	Cllr Peter May
Cllr David Carter (Co-opted)	Cllr Carlie Mayes (Co-opted)
Cllr Mark Durham	Cllr Aidan McGurran
Cllr Jane Fleming	Cllr Jaymey McIvor
Cllr Paul Gadd	Cllr Anthony McQuiggan
Cllr Marie Goldman	Cllr Laureen Shaw
Cllr Ray Gooding	Cllr Clive Souter (Vice-Chairman)
Cllr Carlo Guglielmi	Cllr Mike Steptoe
Cllr Dave Harris (Vice-Chairman)	Sharon Westfield-de-Cortez (HealthWatch)
Cllr Mike Mackrory (substitute)	Cllr Andrew Wiles
Cllr Bob Massey	

Apologies

Cllr Mark Cory	Cllr Luke Mackenzie
Cllr Martin Foley	Cllr Lynda McWilliams (Co-opted)

The following officers were supporting the meeting:

- Richard Buttress, Democratic Services Manager
- Jasmine Carswell, Democratic Services Officer.

1. Membership, apologies and declarations

Apologies were received from Cllr Cory, Cllr Foley, Mackenzie and Cllr McWilliams.

Cllr Mackrory substituted for Cllr Cory.

2. Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 4 November 2021 were approved by the committee as an accurate record.

3. Questions from the public

No questions from members of the public were received.

4. Health and Care Bill – Integrated Care Systems (ISC'S)

The Chairman welcomed to the meeting:

Cllr John Spence Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care

Nick Presmeg Executive Director for Adult Social Care

Peter Fairley Director for Strategy and Integration

The Committee received the following update covering the following key issues:

- Clear four-year strategy with outcomes that will be tracked in line with the Everyone's Essex plan
- New shape to NHS services and governance with new statutory organisations, partnered with other local authorities
- The NHS are working on the basis that the Health and Care Bill will go live from April 2022
- Consultation has taken place with patient groups, patient voices and specialist groups
- Providers will also sit within new arrangements
- The system in Essex has been designed to be as acute as possible. Focus of new arrangements is to focus on the wider populations of Essex
- Current status of the Bill is that it has been through the House of Commons and is due to be heard in the House of Lords on 7 December 2021
- Reports in media of possible delays – it is reasonable to scenario in case this does happen
- Aim of the Bill is to improve outcomes, tackle inequalities, achieve value for money and productivity and make contributions to social and economic development
- Current CCG's will be abolished, and functions transferred to a new Integrated Care Board (ICB)
- The Bill establishes new statutory partner arrangements, including a joint committee which will be an equal partnership between local government and the NHS which will be called an Integrated Care Partnership (ICP)
- Essex will be party to three ICB's – Hertfordshire and West Essex, Mid and South Essex and Suffolk and North East Essex
- ICP's will cover the same areas as the ICB's
- Will introduce a new statutory assurance framework for Adult Social Care
- Key changes on charging. New guidance coming out in the new year but not all costs will not count towards the cap of £86,000.

After discussion, it was **Resolved** that:

- i) Will send a list of positions who will be on the Integrated Care Boards
- ii) Flowchart of how the process works
- iii) Training session for HOSC And PAF members ahead of future scrutiny joint work

5. Chairman's Report

The Committee noted the information update within the Chairman's report.

6. Member Updates

The following updates were provided to the Committee:

7. Work Programme

The Committee noted the current work programme and discussed the following:

- Discharges from hospital, specifically end of life care
- Committee requested a written update from the East Suffolk and North East Essex NHS Foundation Trust on the current situation with regard its maternity services, after receiving an initial report in September 2021
- The committee requested that NHS Section 106 monies were added to the Work Programme for future consideration
- After the announcement that the building of Princess Alexandra Hospital has been delayed, the committee asked that they are provided with a written update as to the latest situation with this.

8. Date of next meeting

To note that the next committee meeting is scheduled to take place on Thursday 6 January 2022 at 10:30am.

9. Urgent business

No urgent business received.

10. Urgent exempt business

No urgent exempt business received.

The meeting closed at 12:21pm.

Chairman