

Minutes of Board Meeting

2nd February 2021 10am

1) Present:

Paul Charnock (Chair of Board), Jane Hurd (Board), Stephen Manning (Board), Catherine Fuller (Coordinator), Karen Hodgkin (Coordinator).

Apologies:

Chris Douglas (Board)

Meeting started at 10.20am as we were not quorate until we had three members of the Board.

P. Charnock joined the meeting at 10.20am after the Local Engagement Board meeting had finished.

2) Approve minutes of 24.11.20

Minutes from 24/11/20 were approved as correct.

3) Matters arising from minutes

P.C went through the minutes and read them out.

* Budget for next financial year – P.C has not heard any more on this. He expects to receive 44,600 and would like commitment of this figure from the council, even if the underspend is included in this total.

* Next newsletter to go out will be in April. Before this goes out, we will all meet to talk about going on radio Scilly and promoting HWIOS and any surveys.

* We have received the money from the BCF for the volunteering service – now waiting to have a document in writing from AK.

P.C then went through the actions from the previous minutes: -

Skybus and flights for patients - KH/CF took feedback to Patient Experience. Also took issue of so many people requiring flights due to large number of residents being invited for breast screening on the mainland.

Opticians – Nothing further has been done in this area due to the pressures of the pandemic on service providers. No position statement received due to the same reason.

Theory of change cancer care document updated with feedback from Di Charlton.

Scrutiny report – When we get it from the council and receive feedback on what issues we raised, we can move forward with them.

P.C has not looked at the workload for KH / CF. Action to be completed.

4) Work Plan

See updated work plan.

MTTG – Contact S.W and see where he has got to with the actions from the last MTTG meeting.

JH would like the issue of pregnant mothers having their partner / family member funded to be an escort for their appointments – especially when travelling to give birth.

The following is taken from a document written by NHS England -
Supporting pregnant women using maternity services during the coronavirus pandemic: Actions for NHS providers Version 1, 14 December 2020: -

*Pregnant women value the support from a partner, relative, friend or other person through pregnancy and childbirth as it facilitates emotional wellbeing and is a key component of safe and personalised maternity care. **Women should therefore have access to support at all times during their maternity journey and trusts should facilitate this**, while keeping the risk of transmission of the virus within NHS maternity services (including to pregnant women, other service users and staff) as low as possible. This means welcoming the woman and her support person, regarding them as an integral part of both the woman and baby's care throughout and not as a visitor. It includes making sure that women can safely take a support person to:*

- *the early pregnancy unit*
- *all antenatal scans*
- *other antenatal appointments where the woman considers it important to have support*
- *labour and birth from the point of attendance at the hospital or midwifery unit.*

JH wondered what the CCG and medical transport's view on this would be?

We know that this has been an issue that has been raised on the islands time to time.

JH suggested that KH/CF email Sam Wilson from KCCG and explain that this issue has been raised. Make reference to the quoted statement above and that escorts are expected to pay to travel with their pregnant partner and ask what his view on this is.

JH also suggested emailing Harry Legg, as MTTG representative, and see if he would be willing to do some research into how many people this has affected.

P.C asked KH/CF to write to CQC to find out who our local inspector is.

P.C stated that he plans to have a meeting with Dr C.P to find out when the SWAST boat is used and when the medical launch is used. Steve Manning explained that the SWAST boat acts like an ambulance.