

STRATEGIC COMMISSIONING BOARD

18 December 2019

Comm: 1.00pm

Term: 1.25pm

Present: Dr Asad Ali – NHS Tameside and Glossop CCG (In the Chair)
Councillor Warren Bray – Tameside MBC
Councillor Gerald Cooney – Tameside MBC
Councillor Bill Fairfoull – Tameside MBC
Councillor Leanne Feeley – Tameside MBC
Councillor Oliver Ryan – Tameside MBC
Councillor Brenda Warrington – Tameside MBC
Councillor Eleanor Wills – Tameside MBC
Steven Pleasant – Tameside MBC Chief Executive and Accountable Officer for NHS Tameside and Glossop CCG
Dr Vinny Khunger – NHS Tameside and Glossop CCG
Dr Christine Ahmed – NHS Tameside and Glossop CCG
Dr Alison Lea – NHS Tameside and Glossop CCG

In Attendance: Councillor Vincent Ricci Tameside MBC
Councillor Jack Homer Tameside MBC
Sandra Stewart Director of Governance & Pensions
Kathy Roe Director of Finance
Jayne Traverse Director of Growth
Ian Saxon Director of Operations & Neighbourhoods
Richard Hancock Director of Children's Services
Tom Wilkinson Assistant Director of Finance
Emma Varnam Assistant Director of Operations & Neighbourhoods
Ilys Cookson Assistant Director, Exchequer Services
Catherine Moseley Head of Access Services
Sarah Exall Consultant Population Health

Apologies for Councillor Allison Gwynne – Tameside MBC
Absence: Dr Ashwin Ramachandra – NHS Tameside and Glossop CCG
Carol Prowse – NHS Tameside and Glossop CCG

46 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

47 MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the meeting of the Strategic Commissioning Board held on 27 November 2019 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

48 MONTH 7 INTEGRATED FINANCE REPORT

Consideration was given to a report of the Executive Member, Finance and Economic Growth / CCG Chair / Director of Finance providing an overview on the financial position of the Tameside and Glossop economy in 2019/20. For the year to 31 March 2020 the report forecast that service

expenditure would exceed the approved budget in a number of areas, due to a combination of cost pressures, shortfalls in income and non-delivery of savings.

It was explained that for the 2019/20 financial year the Integrated Commissioning Fund was forecast to spend £620 million, against an approved net budget of £619 million. The forecast overspend of £0.514 million was primarily driven by Children's Services, Growth, Operations and Neighbourhoods and CCG TEP shortfall, offset by contingency and capital financing. The overall position was relatively stable this month with minimal movements across all service areas. Further detail on the economy wide position was included in an Appendix to the report.

The forecast had deteriorated slightly from last month by £25k. This movement related to an increase in the shortfall of TEP of £25k, which was due to the recent review of the Star Chambers schemes.

RESOLVED:

- (i) That the significant level of savings required during 2019/20 and beyond to deliver a balanced recurrent economy budget together with the related risks, which are contributing to the overall adverse forecast, be acknowledged; and**
- (ii) That the significant financial pressures facing the Strategic Commission, particularly in respect of Children's Social Care and Operations & Neighbourhoods, and Growth, be acknowledged.**

49 CORE FUNDING – VOLUNTARY, COMMUNITY, FAITH AND SOCIAL ENTERPRISE SECTOR (VCFSE)

Consideration was given to a report of the Executive Member Adult Social Care and Population Health / CCG Chair / Director of Adult Services, which explained that, further to funding of the VCFSE sector in previous years to support the sector to grow and develop community services to support the work of the Strategic Commission, authorisation for the continuation of previous arrangements for the core funding for the period 2019-2022, was sought.

The report set out the case for funding arrangements with Age UK, Tameside, Oldham and Glossop Mind and Action Together. The justification for continuing the agreements reflected the close working relationship that had developed with each organisation over many years and the mutual benefits this close working had brought to the citizens of Tameside.

It was explained that with each of the three proposed agreements, the central theme was the confirmation of the Council providing some core funding which would afford each organisation a level of security in terms of longer term planning as the funding underpinned their core infrastructure operating costs. The funding would be provided on the basis of delivery of the core activity, as set out in Section 3 of the report. These three organisations, as representatives of the local VCFSE sector were key organisations in supporting the Council in delivering its responsibilities in relation to the Care Act and in particular the changes introduced from April 2015, specifically their significant contribution to:

- The duty of prevention and wellbeing to prevent or delay the need for care;
- The duty to provide information and advice, including about paying for care;
- The extension of eligibility criteria to include carers; and
- The duty to shape the local care and support market.

RESOLVED

- (i) That the Strategic Commissioning Board approve funding with Age UK (Tameside and Tameside, Oldham and Glossop MIND is continued for one year from 1 April 2019;**

- (ii) That an additional sum of £100,565 non recurrent grant funding be awarded to Age UK for 2019/20 only;
- (iii) That funding with Action Together be continued for a further three years from 1 April 2019;
- (iv) That the level of funding identified in Section 6.1 (Table 1) of the report be agreed for the specified period from 1 April 2019 in line with the standard conditions of the Council; and
- (v) That market testing be undertaken during 2019/20 to inform future funding decisions with a view to awarding funding for three years. On completion of the market tests, delegated authority be given to the Director of Adult Services to award the core funding.

50 PRIMARY CARE WORKFORCE STRATEGY

Consideration was given to a report of the Executive Member, Adult Social Care and Population Health / CCG Clinical Lead / Director of Commissioning presenting the Tameside and Glossop Primary Care Workforce Plan 2020-2025 (a copy of which was appended to the report). The Plan provided a comprehensive overview of the key priorities across Tameside and Glossop in terms of the Primary Care Workforce, in the context of the current position and ambitions to make Tameside and Glossop a place that people come to stay and work.

It was explained that the strategy had been developed using a collaborative integrated system approach. The respective detailed Delivery Plan would be formulated in the same way to ensure a consistent and effective programme of workstreams for the workforce. This also ensured that the Primary Care Workforce Strategy aligned to the Locality Workforce Plan that was already in place and which encompassed the wider workforce, including the delivery of the Care Together transformation programme.

RESOLVED

- (i) That the Tameside and Glossop Primary Care Workforce Strategy 2020-2025, including the key principles and priorities set out, be approved;
- (ii) That the Academy construct as the accountable vehicle for co-ordination and management of the Delivery Plan, be approved; and
- (iii) That regular progress updates and assurance be provided to the Primary Care Committee.

51 TAMESIDE AND GLOSSOP COMMISSIONING INTENTIONS 2020-21

The Executive Member, Adult Social Care and Population Health / CCG Chair / Director of Commissioning submitted a report setting out the Commissioning Intentions for all Partners in 2020-21 (as detailed in an appendix to the report).

It was explained that Commissioning Intentions provided a basis for constructive dialogue between Commissioners and Providers of Health and Social Care services to inform business planning and contracting. They were intended to set the strategic context to drive improved outcomes for patients and guided the design and delivery of care within available resources.

RESOLVED

That the content of the report be noted and the distribution of the Commissioning Intentions to Partners, be approved.

52 URGENT ITEMS

The Chair reported that there were no urgent items for consideration at this meeting.

CHAIR