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**Minutes of the Trafford Sub-committee
held on Wednesday 16th Jan 2013 at Sam Platts, Old Trafford**

PRESENT:

EXECUTIVE MEMBERS

Dr R Mene (RM) (Chair)
Dr I Maclean (IM)
Dr C Kelman (CK)

MEMBERS

Dr J Chandy (JC)
Dr C Westwood (CW)
Dr A Freeman (AF)

CO-OPTED MEMBERS

Ms D Darlington (DD)(rep PM's
Trafford North
Mr C Booth (CB)(reg PM's Trafford
South)
Dr N Guest (NG)(Trafford CCG)
Ms G Lawrence (GL) (Trafford
CCG)

OBSERVERS

Ms A Ferguson (AF) (Mastercall)

IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs V Simenoff (VS)
Mrs K Rowlands (KR)

APOLOGIES

Ms M Buck

AGENDA - PART A

Special Business

Dr Chris Towers & Caroline Bell attended the meeting to provide an update on the progress of NHS111. They described the various roll out stages of the project and confirmed that the majority of the services currently operated by Mastercall have been retained. Call handling is the exception and this would be provided by NHS Direct as part of the 111 contract. The new system is launched on 21st March 2013 then made public on the 10th of April to allow for a period of time for review. A letter will be sent to practices to offer a suggestion on their Answer phone message. The issue of how calls are dealt with between the hours of 8am-8.30am and 6pm – 6.30pm when practices have a private arrangement with the out of hours service was still to be agreed.. A checklist of what needs to be done by GP practices to ensure they are ready for the switch over was being produced.

1. REVIEW OF ACTIONS FROM THE LAST MEETING

	Subject	Action	Who
1.	Registration of overseas visitors PCC Guidance	closed	GL
2.	Clinical/Business waste - The PCT had asked the LMC for approval for a proposal whereby they will not recover outstanding payments owed by any practice on the understanding that the PCT would not pay amounts owed to any practices	Write to the PCT to explain that that this was not the role of the LMC and practices would need to agree individually New arrangement was proposed and adopted by all practices. Action closed –	VS GL
	Blue Bags - (GL) recommended that the existing service continued pending review	Awaiting information on the GM model	

2. Transition to new structures

Gina Lawrence (GL) provided the following update:

The provision of FHS services will move to LASCA on 1st April, however as staff have left some areas in order to maintain a service LASCA would be managing Trafford's services from the second week in February.

Reference was made to the process for re-imburement of GP practice expense claims. The proposal is for practices to pay in the first instance and receive re-imburement after the claim has been submitted to LASCA. The LMC recognised that this could have huge financial

implications for GP practices, with the potential to destabilise some. (GL) agreed to discuss this with LASCA **Action (GL)**

3. Trafford Commissioning consortium update

Dr Nigel Guest (NG) provided the following update:

Authorisation

The CCG were waiting to go through National Authorisation. At the authorisation panel meeting they had received no reds and therefore will be authorised with no conditions.

Procurement of Community Services

The process was now complete and the providers for the different 'lots' have been identified as Pennine Care NHS Foundation Trust, Greater Manchester West Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust and Central Manchester University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust.

A New Health Deal for Trafford

Public consultation had finished. The Strategic Programme Board had supported the process with conditions.

- Subsidised cost of local LINK services for Partington
- Clear criteria for mental health patients who at present access emergency services between the hours of 12pm – 8am.
- Ensure the system has capacity to cope before closing A&E between the hours of 12 -8am.
- Single point of contact for booking patient transport.

Plans for Altrincham General noted were queried and members were informed that it would stay the same as originally agreed in the business plan. (NG) added that as Integrated care developed there would be flexibility within the building to adapt the space. It was expected that it would continue as an NHS facility and not be used for services to private patients.

(NG) advised members that there remained some concern around the proposed New Health Deal for Trafford from South Manchester University Hospital. The Trafford and Manchester Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee has indicated that it may appeal to the Secretary of State which could cause considerable delay and additional financial risk to the health economy in the area.

4. LMC/PCT liaison meeting:

Members were advised that the violent patient scheme is ending in March. None of the local practices currently providing the service are

prepared to continue to provide it as they also have to provide administrative support for the scheme which they felt unable to do. The PCT is prepared to open the current service to all practices to bid. Practices would receive £2k pa plus £60 per patient and the cost of security.

Sale Registrations, (GL) understood there to be extra housing coming in to the Sale area and discussions were being had as to how practices would manage.

5. Mastercall Charges

A letter had been issued to all practices describing the revised changes to their service charges. A copy of the letter was distributed again in the meeting for reference and was noted. Due to the introduction of NHS111 there would be significant changes to the Mastercall operating model which had influenced the necessity for the increase. Andrea Ferguson (AF) said that the charging structure was subject to continuous review and any comments should be feedback to Michaela Buck. The LMC recognised the pressure the move to NHS 111 had placed on Mastercall.

6. Healthier together

(NG) informed members that a paper that had been written that scoped the proposal for 7 day working. It had been suggested that this should be discussed in a clinical forum. (RM) added that this issue had been raised with Rt Hon Graham Brady recently and the LMC had expressed concern about the lack of resource for such a development.

7. Licences for diabetic taxi drivers (suggested scheme as agreed in Mcr)

Guidance suggests that a driver who is diabetic would need to be seen annually by a Consultant Diabetologist. It was recognised that this was not practicable and that Manchester Council had introduced an approach to the regulations. The email sent out with the agenda papers from Manchester, was noted and discussed further in the meeting. It was agreed to discuss this with Trafford MBC in an attempt to try and adopt the same process. **Action LMC**

AOB

None raised

DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS

1-2.30pm, preceded by lunch from 12.30pm. Held at Sam Platts, Trafford Wharf Road, Old Trafford M17 1EX
Weds Feb 13th
Weds March 13th
Weds April 17th
Weds May 22nd
Weds June 12th
Weds July 10th
No meetings
Weds Sept 11th
Weds Oct 16th
Weds Nov 13th
Monday December 9 TH evening JOINT FOR ALL MEMBERS OF BOTH SALFORD AND TRAFFORD COMMITTEES