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**Minutes of the Trafford Sub-committee
held on Wednesday 12th June 2013 at Sam Platts, Old Trafford**

PRESENT:

EXECUTIVE MEMBERS

Dr I Maclean (IM)
Dr C Kelman (CK)

MEMBERS

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

CO-OPTED MEMBERS

Mr Christian Booth (CB)(rep PM's
Trafford South)
Mrs Deborah Darlington (DD)(rep
PM's Trafford South)

OBSERVERS

Ms Michaela Buck (MB)
(Mastercall)
Ms Andrea Ferguson ((AF)
Mastercall)
Ms Gina Lawrence (GL) (Trafford
CCG)

IN ATTENDANCE

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

APOLOGIES

Dr Nigel Guest

AGENDA - PART A

1. Declaration of interest

None declared.

2. Review of actions from the last meeting

No	Subject	Action	Who
1	Whistle Blowing – (RM) asked what the policy on whistle blowing was. Rob Bellingham said that there was a route into NHS England and an opportunity for issues to be raised to the CCG and agreed to forward the relevant contact information.	Rob Bellingham agreed to forward contact process & information to the LMC Update: no response received as yet. Action carried forward	RB
2	GP Consumables - The issue of practices having to pay for blood bottles was raised. Rob Bellingham said that work was being done to look at consistency of the process across Greater Manchester but agreed to look into it further.	Rob Bellingham to investigate Update: Letter received. Added to this months agenda	RB

3. Trafford Commissioning consortium update

Gina Lawrence (GL) provided the following update:

A letter would be going out to practices to advise them of a vacancy for a Clinical Director to replace Steve Jenkins. Dr George Kissen had been re-recruited to work on children's services. This was not a board member position and would be session focused.

Sessions were being planned to involve practices in the re-design/integration of unscheduled care work and practices will receive further information shortly (GL) confirmed that session work would be remunerated.

Matrons had been recruited and both the North and South Geriatricians were in place. (GL) said that feedback so far had been positive and Dr Kelman (CK) confirmed that the quality and standard of reports he had seen had been high.

Other work that is being developed is the introduction of an Intro Venus therapy service and a Care Co-ordination centre which would be a single point of access for all services including housing. This was a big project and would continue to grow.

Finally, the CCG are working with LAT to improve any issues identified. Jason Swift had recently been appointed as the Primary Care Lead and would be introduced at a future LMC Trafford Sub committee meeting.

4. Healthier Together

The Healthier Together team are continuing to work with the acute trust to re-design services. Mental Health services are not included. Services are being colour coded based on risk factors such as volumes, configuration etc. Once the validation process is completed further work is planned to map where future services would sit. (GL) said that the public would be consulted on proposals.

(GL) added that the CCG will push back where things are working well with aim of keeping things as they are in some areas.

Discussion ensued around the ownership of Healthier Together and involvement in the decision making process for the 12 CCG's.

5. GP Consumables

NHS England (Greater Manchester Area Team) had been aiming to send out a letter to all Salford and Trafford GP practices outlining the discontinuation of some items of supplies through the Primary Care Support function, in particular vaginal speculae and blood collection bottles by the end of July 2013. The LMC had queried whether or not the supply of blood bottles was included in the core contract for pathology in Salford and Trafford. This had been confirmed for Salford and a response was awaited for Trafford.

(GL) added that the CCG were working with Primary Care Support Services (PCS) – Preston office, formally known as LASCA, to try and establish where the original funding was located. (GL) agreed to provide a further update at the next meeting.

Deborah Darlington (DD) raised an issue with the delay in receiving notes from PCS. This issue arose when a GP was required to attend a coroner's inquest and had written to PCS to request release of the patients notes. They had been advised that the request would be dealt with under the 40 day rule which the practice felt was unacceptable. The LMC agreed to write to PCS and copy the coroner to try to resolve. **Action LMC**

AOB

Michaela Buck gave the following update on behalf of Mastercall:

The provision of the OOH front end service by Mastercall had been extended till the end of March 2014 in Stockport however nothing had formally been received from Trafford on their intentions although it was understood in the meeting that Trafford would do the same. (MB) added that this was good news although it didn't allow them to employ staff on a permanent basis and this had been causing some problems for Mastercall.

The main OOH contract was in its final 12 months and meetings were being held with the commissioners to look at the future.

The Walk in Centre contract had transferred to NHS England and was due to end at the end of Sept 2014. Mastercall were trying to establish contact with them to discuss.

(MB) said there had been a lot of interest in their in-house nurse triage service and work was being done to look at its viability.

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 July 10th
No meeting in August
Weds Sept 11th
Weds Oct 16th
Weds Nov 13th
Monday December 9 TH evening JOINT FOR ALL MEMBERS OF BOTH SALFORD AND TRAFFORD COMMITTEES