



AGENDA ITEM NO. 4

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE JOINT HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE HELD ON 17TH OCTOBER 2011 AT 10.30 A.M.

Bath and North East Somerset Councillors

P Councillor tba
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Bath and North East Somerset Officers

P

Bristol City Councillors

P Councillor Lesley Alexander (Chair)
P Jenny Smith
P Councillor Sylvia Townsend

Bristol City Officers

P Norman Cornthwaite
P Romyne de Fonseca

North Somerset Councillors

P Councillor Reyna Knight
P Councillor Tom Leimdorfer
P Councillor Liz Wells

North Somerset Officers

P

South Gloucestershire Councillors

P Councillor Janet Biggins
A Councillor Sue Hope
P Councillor Ian Scott

South Gloucestershire Officers

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Also in attendance:

Ben Bennett – NHS Bristol, North Somerset, South Gloucestershire
Martin Warren – NBT
Tony Jones - NHS Bristol, North Somerset, South Gloucestershire

**JHSC
1.10/11**

CHAIRING ARRANGEMENTS

It was noted that Councillor Lesley Alexander is to be the Chair of the Committee for the 2011/12 Municipal Year.

**JHSC
2.10/11**

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE, SUBSTITUTIONS AND INTRODUCTIONS

Apologies were received from Councillors Sue Hope.

**JHSC
3.10/11**

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following declarations of interest were received:

Councillor Biggins is a Member of the BUST Committee.

Councillor Townsend has had correspondence with Reg Hill in relation to UHBT.

Councillor Leimdorfer – His wife is involved with Congresbury Community Carers

**JHSC
4.10/11**

**MINUTES – JOINT HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – 28th
MARCH 2011.**

**RESOLVED - that the minutes of the meeting of the
Joint Health Scrutiny Committee held on
28th March 2011 be confirmed as a correct
record and signed by the Chair.**

**JHSC
5.10/11**

CHAIR'S BUSINESS

Referring to the Public Forum Statements received, the Chair stated that this Committee has no powers in relation to the issues raised in the Statements and none of the issues raised in the Statements are on the Agenda for this Meeting. (In summary, the Committee only deals with cross boundary proposed changes in service.) These issues are considered by individual Health OSC's and a report on Histopathology would be considered by Bristol's Health ASC OSC on 1st November 2011.

The Chair then moved that the Statements be heard by the Committee in accordance with the prescribed procedure for dealing with Public Forum Statements. (Statements are received, no debate takes place on them and they are referred for response(s) to the appropriate body.) This was

seconded and on being put to the Vote it was CARRIED - Voting 7 for and 1 against.

**JHSC
6.10/11**

PUBLIC FORUM

The following Statements were received by the Committee:

1. Daphne Havercroft, South West Whistleblowers Action Group - Breast Care Services at Southmead Hospital.
2. Daphne Havercroft, South West Whistleblowers Action Group - Histopathology.
3. Catherine Calland - Histopathology.
4. Reg Hill - Histopathology.

A copy of each of the Statements is contained in the Minute Book.

RESOLVED - that the Statements be referred to the NHS for an appropriate response to be made.

**JHSC
7.10/11**

BHSP UPDATE

The Committee received a presentation from Ben Bennett, NHS Bristol (Agenda Item No. 7) updating the Committee on the BHSP.

A copy of the presentation is contained in the Minute Book.

During the debate and questioning that followed the following points were made:

- It may be possible to re-use some of the buildings at Frenchay, but it will only be possible to decide on this at the detailed planning stage
- Public transport access will also be taken into account
- Significant effort is being put into progressing the business case for Clevedon
- Transport issues for access to Cossham are being worked on
- The NHS were reminded of their responsibilities in ensuring that all papers for Meetings of the Committee are available in accordance with the statutory requirements
- The decision on NHS beds at Frenchay and staffing of them would be made once all of the options had been fully considered
- The new Southmead Hospital will have both an A & E Unit and a Minor Injuries Unit
- Most of the services provided at the General Hospital will be provided at the South Bristol Community Hospital once it is operational, although there will also be capacity at the BRI
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- There are no plans to cut the budget for Sexual Health Services
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- There are plans for 6 bus routes to serve the South Bristol Community Hospital, however BCC are reviewing their bus subsidies

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- South Bristol Community Hospital will provide eye care services/surgery and some North Somerset residents may access this facility; dental services will be primarily for the south Bristol community residents only

RESOLVED - that the presentation be noted.

**JHSC
8.10/11**

**SOUTHMEAD HOSPITAL REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT -
TRANSPORT AND ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS**

The Committee considered a report of Martin Warren, NBT (Agenda Item No. 8) updating the Committee on the Transport and Access Improvements in relation to the new Southmead Hospital.

Martin Warren introduced the report and summarised it for everyone.

During the debate and questioning that followed the following points were made:

- There is a lot of street parking in and around the Filton area because of the parking charges for staff
- There was a suggestion that bus service No. 18 be rerouted
- All transport and access issues are being considered and it is hoped to have preferred option(s) ready for consultation in 2012

RESOLVED - (i) that the report be noted; and

(ii) that the next update be received on

26th March 2011 as part of the BHSP Update.

**JHSC
9.10/11 WORK PROGRAMME**

Romayne de Fonseca introduced this report and summarised it for Members.

RESOLVED - that the work programme be noted.

**JHSC
10.10/11 DATES AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

RESOLVED - that date of the next meeting of the Joint Health Scrutiny Committee be held on Monday 28th November 2011 at 10.30 am.

(The meeting ended at 12.15 pm.)

CHAIR