
Report of Berkshire West CCG Governing Body: 12 June 2018

Title	Chief Officer's Report – May 2018
Sponsoring Director	Cathy Winfield, Chief Officer
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Purpose	To provide an update on key areas of work
Previously considered by	Not applicable
Risk and Assurance	Provides assurance on matters of Constitution reserved to CO.
Financial and resource implications	Not applicable
Legal implications/regulatory requirements	Where the report relates to policies, these have been developed in accordance with legislative requirements.
Consultation, public engagement & partnership working implications/impact	Undertaken with regard to specific work streams as appropriate.
Public Sector Equality Duty	None

Executive Summary

The Chief Officer's report covers the following areas:

- Integrated Care System
- Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire and Berkshire West (BOB) STP
- BW10 integration programme
- GP Provider Alliances
- Changes to GP practices
- Communications and Engagement
- Policies

Recommendation

That the Governing Body receives the Chief Officer's report and notes the updates provided.

Chief Officer's Report

May 2018

1. Integrated Care System

Our ICS continues to work on the delivery of our strategic priorities and will go live in 2018/19 following operation in shadow form since 2017/18.

We continue to work with our ICS partners to identify areas of clinical and back office transformation which will meet our shared objectives for improved services and value for money.

At its May meeting the ICS Unified Executive focused on:

- Population Health Management and our work with NHS Digital at a national level
- Agreeing our strategic priorities for the year ahead
- Our system based approach to managing the Quality function for the ICS
- The interface for the ICS with the BOB STP
- A proposal on shifting current injection-based treatments from acute to primary care

Work continues on all of the above.

Following the Q4 Berkshire West ICS assurance meeting, which took place in April, NHS E and NHS I have written to all three ICS partners to summarise the main discussion points and agreed next steps. The letter is attached at Annex 1.

Berkshire West ICS is also strengthening its links with Frimley ICS in areas such as specialised commissioning, population health management and the digital agenda

The Board should note NHS E's proposal to establish an NHS Assembly to help deliver a ten year plan for the NHS. As one of the ICSs, the BW system will be asked to contribute to this process.

2. Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire and Berkshire West (BOB) STP

The main focus of the STP this month has been our local bid for capital money to support improvements to infrastructure in our system. In recent years the STP has been the main vehicle of allocation for capital and we have made a Berkshire West submission for a significant sum which is aligned to the improvements identified in our Clinical Strategy and 18/19 Draft Operating Plan. This submission will be submitted by the STP along with similar schemes in Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire.

The STP also continues in discussion with NHS E about the alignment of local resource to STP programmes, to better support the improvement of population health and of patient outcomes. Resource for a full time project manager for population health management has been identified, and Berkshire West leads this programme.

The STP Programme Office has been strengthened and will work with teams in our ICS to improve alignment and delivery between our organisations.

3. BW10 Integration Programme

Senior managers from the BW10 met on 24th May for a workshop. This identified further opportunities for joint working such as market management and voluntary sector commissioning. Berkshire West 10 Chief Officers will consider definitive proposals at their meeting in July.

The Chief Officers have also directed the BW10 Delivery Group to continue working with the Local Government Association in order to improve performance with regard to Delayed Transfers of Care. Senior managers from across all of the member organisations met on 24th May for a workshop with the LGA to focus on improving delivery against the eight recommended “High Impact Actions” and the BW10 Delivery Group will monitor delivery against this programme of work.

4. GP Provider Alliances

The Berkshire West Primary Care Alliance has now formally appointed Dr Jim Kennedy as Chair. Dr Kennedy is also the chair of the Wokingham GP Alliance. All initial organisational structures and Terms of Reference are now in place and the monthly meetings are also attended by the GP chairs of the other GP alliances in Newbury, South Reading and N & W Reading.

In early May, the four GP Alliances and the BWPCA hosted a visit from the national primary care team from NHSE and were given the opportunity to showcase their work to date as well as to influence national thinking and policy.

BWPCA continues to work alongside ICS partners to support the delivery of the ICS priorities. Their proposals for implementing 7 day working are now well developed and aligned with the requirements of the GP 5 Year Forward View and recent NSHE planning guidance.

Each of BWCPA’s four constituent alliances will submit business plans shortly (June 13th) to the Primary Care Committee and these will outline key local work streams, including those that that will support delivery of ICS and Five Year Forward View priorities and other areas identified as being important for the longer-term sustainability of the alliances.

5. Changes to GP practices

The Board should note that Circuit Lane surgery has successfully transferred to Western Elms practice. The transfer went smoothly and we are already receiving positive patient feedback.

The process to close Priory Avenue and transfer patients to new practices is now under way. This is a tightly managed process, with particular attention to vulnerable patients. Close monitoring of the master list will ensure that all patients are successfully transferred to a new practice. Additional resource has been agreed for receiving practices. The first public meeting took place on 29th May and patients appreciated the opportunity to ask questions and receive further clarity. There was general appreciation of the issues that had led to the closure of the surgery.

6. Communications and Engagement

The Board is receiving a report on the CCG 360 degree survey at this meeting. We recognise that communications and engagement is an area for development and look forward to the establishment of an ICS-wide Communications and Engagement service on 1 July, which will be hosted by RBFT. This will be led by a Director, Victoria Parker, who joins our system from the Essex NHS.

7. Policies

The following policies were reviewed by the Management Team on behalf of the Clinical Commissioning Committee, in accordance with their annual review cycle. Copies of the policy documents are available on request.

- Freedom of Information Act Policy
- Standards of Business Conduct Policy
- Statutory and Mandatory Training Policy
- Health and Safety Policy

CW: May 2018