



Committee and date

Whitchurch & Prees
Local Joint Committee

4th October 2017

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WHITCHURCH & PREES LOCAL JOINT COMMITTEE

**NOTES OF THE LJC MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 14th JUNE 2017
AT HIGHER HEATH VILLAGE HALL**

Committee Members present:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Council</u>
Mrs Bev Duffy	Whitchurch Town Councillor
Mr Tom Biggins	Shropshire Councillor
Mrs Peggy Mullock	Shropshire Councillor (Chair)
Mr Paul Wynn	Shropshire Councillor
Mr William Allen	Whitchurch Rural Parish Councillor
Mr William Heywood-Lonsdale	Ightfield & Calverhall Parish Councillor

Officers present:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Role</u>
Sue Thomas	Community Enablement Officer, Shropshire Council
Nicola Fisher	Senior Community Enablement Officer, Shropshire Council
Graeme Baines	West Mercia Police
Colin Fitzmaurice	Ambulance Service
Ian Johnson	Shropshire Fire Service
Tony Menzies	Shropshire Clinical Commissioning Group

There were approximately 22 members of the public at the meeting.

ACTION

23. Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone, each member of the Committee introduced themselves and the Chair explained the nature and remit of the Local Joint Committees (LJCs).

24. Receive Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Gerald Dakin.

25. Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

Members were reminded that they must not participate in the discussion or voting on any matter in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest and should leave the room prior to the commencement of the debate.

26. Confirm Notes of LJC meeting on 19th October 2016

It was **RESOLVED** that the notes of the previous meeting held on 1st March be approved and signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record – the meeting notes were duly signed by the Chair.

27. Partners & Communities Together (PACT)

Shropshire Fire

Ian Johnson updated the meeting on local issues:

- There have been some recent incidents linked to unattended BBQ's, those present were reminded to be vigilant during the warm weather especially around BBQ's.
- Home Safety Assessment visits are continuing and fire alarms will be installed when the criteria is met
- Recruitment is ongoing for the area.
- A business case has been produced supporting the relocation of the LPT to the Fire Station, discussions are still at a very early stage.

Mr Johnson explained that mobilisation of appliances and how appliances attend an incident is determined by the information received regarding the incident and the skill on particular, appliances.

Appreciation was shown for the outstanding work carried out by Fire Officers in attendance at in London at the Grenfell Towers

West Mercia Police

CSO Graeme Baines informed the meeting that:

- numerous drugs warrants have been conducted over the last 6 months which has resulted in arrests and charges to court.
- Two section 59's have been issued to drivers causing anti-social behaviour within Whitchurch. CSO Baines explained that a section 59 was written in law to stop anti-social use of motor vehicles. The law is there to stop anti-social use of motor vehicles that annoy the public or place people at risk. It also stops offenders who disrupt the quality of life of others at homes nearby. A section 59 warning is issued first to allow the driver to make adjustments to their driving style or to their motor vehicles. If complaints continue about the driver once the section 59 warning has been issued, police then have the power to seize the motor vehicle. Once the vehicle is seized, the

owner is liable for recovery and storage costs which must be paid before they can get their vehicle back.

- Immigration have visited Whitchurch and were accompanied by Safer Neighbourhood team.
- The Safer Neighbourhood team have been carrying out regular patrols of Jubilee Park and the town centre also speed reassurance on Station Road, Chester Road, and Wrexham Road, drivers have been reported for going over the speed limit.
- West Mercia Police continue to advertise for volunteers to help provide cover at Police Stations, details can be found on the West Mercia Website

Comments were received from members of the public regarding the closure of the front counters at local police stations and the lack of a visible presence of officers in the area. It was proposed and agreed that the Police and Crime Commission be invited to the next meeting.

Ambulance Service

Colin Fitzmaurice, Community Paramedic explained that they are paramedics who have received additional training making them advanced Community Paramedics with extra skills and treatment procedures. They treat people in their own homes, reducing the demand on hospital services; 60% of patients do not require a hospital visit after treatment.

Whitchurch has a response car dedicated to the area which provides a good level of cover; unlike ambulances the response cars are not required to provide cover for other towns

28. Reporting and Scrutiny (Hot Topics)

There were no issues to report.

29. Shropshire Clinical Commissioning Group – Shropshire Community Services Review - Tony Menzies

A COPY OF THE PRESENTATION IS ATTACHED TO THE SIGNED MINUTES FOR INFORMATION.

Shropshire CCG, along with the other health & social care providers in Shropshire, Telford & Wrekin, have developed a Transformation & Sustainability Plan (STP). This plan aims to improve services for local people, making the most of advances in care and technology and will support that strategic direction. A Countywide review is now taking place covering the following:

- Community bed based rehabilitation
- Community bed based nursing
- Diagnostic, Assessment & Access to Rehabilitation (DAART) Centres
- Minor Injury Units (MIU)

The plan is to complete the review by the end of December 2017.

Questions were asked throughout the presentation and a discussion took place regarding the review.

Mr Menzies was thanked for attending.
Medical Provision update

Following the presentation, Peter James informed the meeting that he is part of a group working with doctors, patients, Shropshire Clinical Commissioning Group and NHS England to help deliver a new surgery in Whitchurch.

The current service provided at Whitchurch Hospital is being run by Shropdoc who are currently nine months into a 36 month contract.

So far, £1m has been secured from NHS England towards what is anticipated to be a £2.789 million project. The Group are now working to secure private funding, refine their business plan and secure new premises. The group are confident that the new facility will go ahead. The current timescale is May/June 2019, for a three surgery health centre.

Mr James explained that a lot of the information regarding the work currently being undertaken was commercially sensitive, whilst he answered questions wherever possible.

Mr James was thanked for attending the meeting.

30. Question Time

No questions were asked at the meeting.

31. Feedback Forms – people were reminded to complete their feedback forms and offer any suggestions for topics for the next meeting.

32. Future Meeting Dates

The future meeting dates for the 2017/2018 round of Whitchurch & Surrounding Areas Local Joint Committee meetings were noted:

- 4th October 2017 in Tilstock Village Hall, Tilstock
- 28th February 2018 in Whitchurch Civic Centre, Whitchurch

All meetings start at 7.00pm and doors will be open from 6.30pm.

The Chair thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

Signature (Chair) Date: