

Stakeholder Brief

Special Edition

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Transforming Community Services update New Trust begins to take shape

The last few weeks have seen some significant developments in the work to create the new Worcestershire Health and Care NHS Trust that will come into existence on 1st July this year.



Chief Executive Designate Sarah Dugan started work on 7th March and has been busy meeting staff and stakeholders, whilst starting to form some ideas about the work plan for the new Trust. Sarah now has an office based at Isaac Maddox House and her email address is sarah.dugan@worcspct.nhs.uk. Sarah

is understandably keen to meet as many people as possible and get a good understanding of all of the services before the new Trust is fully operational.

The Chair of the new Trust – Chris Burdon – also now has an office based at Isaac Maddox House and has been undertaking an induction programme that has initially focused on the services that are currently managed by the Worcestershire Mental Health Partnership NHS Trust. Chris was formerly a Non-Executive Director of the PCT and Chair of the PCT Provider Board so already has a good understanding and background knowledge of those services.

A structure for the executive team has been agreed by the Strategic Health Authority (SHA) which includes a Director of Finance, a Director of Quality (Executive Nurse), a Director of Service Delivery, a Director of Strategy and Business Development, and

a Medical Director. Recruitment plans are currently being finalised to appoint to those posts, which are ring fenced to NHS Directors across the West Midlands, by the end of April. Once the Director posts are filled, structures in the teams within their portfolios can also then be developed.

The remainder of the Board will comprise of four new Non-Executive Directors who have been appointed by the Appointments Commission. Martin Connor, Jill Gramann, Peter Lachecki and Colin Phillips will begin in their roles on 1st April 2011, before assuming their full non-executive responsibilities on the new Board when the Worcestershire Health and Care NHS Trust is formally established on 1st July 2011.



Engagement events

Two further staff and stakeholder engagement events took place this month, which were attended by more than 150 people. These events, which took place in the Evesham Training and Development Centre and Worcester Rugby Club, were designed to offer opportunities to find out more about the work currently taking place, meet key people such as Sarah and Chris, be involved in shaping things like the vision, values and priorities of the new organisation, and to put forward suggestions for improving ways of working in the future. Over the coming months further events will be taking place across Worcestershire and details of these will be circulated in due course.



Did you know?

To help you to familiarise yourself with the service areas from either trust, Business Unit leads from both organisations have been filmed giving a brief overview of what their services deliver.

These video clips are available on the NHS Worcestershire website at: www.worcestershire.nhs.uk/your-services/worcestershire-health-and-care-nhs-trust.aspx



Service update

The Acute Trust Board are meeting next week to hopefully sign off a recommendation to formally transfer breast screening and some of the specialist nursing services (COPD Service, Diabetic Service, Heart Failure Service, TB Nursing Service and Wyre Forest Rheumatology Service) on 1st July, as well as the management of the Wyre Forest GP Community Unit at Kidderminster Hospital. It has also been confirmed that management of the staff involved in the provision of elective surgery at Tenbury and Evesham community hospitals will also transfer,

although the final operational details of how this will work are still being finalised with local GPs.



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