

## NHS Lambeth CCG Public forum 7 November 2018 Notes

	Source	Question	Summary response	Action
1	Stephen Warren Lambeth Keep Our NHS Public (KONP)	<p><u>Local processes regarding access to treatments:</u></p> <p>Recent consultations by NHS England and London Choosing Wisely have been seeking views on altering access for referral for different surgical interventions. In both cases it was suggested that before Christmas 2018 both consultations will close and over the next financial year and into the following one there will be sign off at the London CCG level. London Choosing Wisely has advised that by November 2018 South East London CCGs will be expected to have considered and signed off whether they support the new systems to reinforce/implement this more constrained use of interventions, however there is no mention of this in today's meeting papers.</p> <p>It would be useful to understand the position on this, including timescales for CCG sign off?</p>	<p>This is an important national and regional process. Whilst the matter is not on the agenda today this is something for which Lambeth CCG has a local scheme describing something quite similar (South East London Treatment Access Policy). Details of this work are noted in the action log of the Governing Body Meeting papers which is taking place later.</p> <p>MM confirmed that a large number of the treatments being considered across London are already included in the South East London Treatment Access Policy. Equally, within South East London (SEL) review work is being undertaken to comment informally on some of the proposals; therefore Lambeth CCG/SEL CCGs have a link into the London work. Current SEL governance processes require that changes proposed to the policy would have to be discussed and a decision taken by each of the SEL CCGs meetings in public before a final SEL decision can be made. An update on this matter will be provided at a Governing Body Meeting in the new year.</p>	None
2	Fraser Syme SymeBros of Streatham Hill	<p><u>Impact of pesticides on health and environment:</u></p> <p>Given the increased use of pesticides in everyday life and risks to health and environment what is being done by Lambeth CCG to educate the medical profession and the public on the potential dangers of long term</p>	<p>The direct influence that Lambeth CCG can have on this is limited as it largely sits at a higher level; however the CCG does have approaches to a range of sustainability actions which it does have control over. Helpfully there has recently been a</p>	None

		<p>ingestion of pesticides on public health and wellbeing?</p>	<p>highlighting of the problem (documentary film) and there is a public expectation of change.</p> <p>RH explained that from a public health perspective some of the policy changes are not local and we know that to change people's behaviour it requires significant policy work with industry as well as consumer pressure. In relation to the actual health impact, the UK has very good surveillance systems to monitor trends and look at changes in prevalence in diseases both nationally and locally and to understand what the underlying causes are. I am not aware of specific current local research happening to make those links, although this may be an area of emerging research.</p>	
3	<p>Wai Hai Patient Participation Group Network (PPGN)</p>	<p><u>Local Care Networks (LCN) engagement:</u> We would like to receive the CCG's assurance that there will be opportunities for public engagement of LCN redesign and that budget implications of the proposal will be explained.</p>	<p>The Local Care Network Development including review and a request to support the direction of travel will be covered later in the Governing Body Meeting in Public. It is a formal step which enables progress to be followed and allows for input; however it is by no means the extent of patient and public participation.</p> <p>MM confirmed that today the paper sets out broad areas of resource that LCCG would want to look at subject to Governing Body endorsement of the overall approach. More detailed work is required such as specific and general engagement around the service model and the implications of that, approaches, the resourcing and the strategy over next five years which includes the long term financial strategy. As such what is being presented later would need wider testing with communities</p>	<p>None</p>

			<p>and further updates over the next year will be brought to articulate the detail.</p> <p>CP referenced page 78 of the meeting paper pack ('timeline and phasing of planning') which usefully provides the opportunity for people who are involved in patient engagement and consultation work to marry up their own plans.</p>	
4	David Del'Nero Co-Chair, Streatham Patient Network	<p><u>Survey of local practice websites and offer to support update</u></p> <p>Streatham Patient Network carried out a survey on how websites practices are kept updated on current happenings.</p> <p>In order to address the issues identified we would like to offer our support to update practice websites and to understand the process for agreeing this.</p>	<p>All practices run their own website therefore permission to undertake this work lies with individual practices. However there may be variation also on how much of the system can be accessed and each practice may have a different approach to this. It will also depend on the relationship between the PPG and the practice.</p>	None
5	Stephen Warren Lambeth Keep Our NHS Public (KONP)	<p><u>Lambeth Child and adolescent mental health services (CAMHS) funding:</u></p> <p>From discussion with some Local Authorities there is concern about how they are going to manage given the level of funding cuts they are being asked by Central Government to make.</p> <p>We would like to understand whether there are any threats to the continued funding for CAMHS in Lambeth, particularly</p>	<p>NM confirmed that from a Lambeth CCG perspective there are no issues with this area. Also we have not received formal communications from the Lambeth Council to suggest that it may need to cut funding to CAMHS services. In Lambeth our success in working collaboratively/strategically with the Council means that we would have an early indication of when issues are forming on the horizon.</p>	None
6	Fraser Syme and Graham	<p><u>Vitamins, food supplements and antioxidants:</u></p> <p>Research has again highlighted that antioxidants</p>	<p>At a CCG level we have limited impact and influence on this as the regulation does not sit with health but</p>	None

	Syme SymeBros of Streatham Hill	produced by vitamin pills and supplements can lead to certain cancers (“Vitamin Pills: Miracle or Myth”). What is the CCG’s view on this? Equally why does the Government/NHS appear to be allowing the majority of users in the UK to continue to spend money on something which seems to have little effect?	elsewhere (Food Standards Agency rather than Medicines & Healthcare products Regulatory Agency). However, as frontline workers within the healthcare system it is important to raise awareness of these issues and to promote appropriate healthy eating.  It has been known for a good time, from research undertaken on people who are healthy, that taking vitamins/products marketed as dietary supplements indicates no real benefit to this; for some it can also cause harm. For most people an appropriate diet is sufficient, although there are circumstances where vitamins are required; for example, people who are clinically deficient. RH confirmed that there are vitamins such as vitamin D which public health does promote as they are beneficial to certain people.  It is acknowledged that there are bodies who have also revealed positive evidence for this research and given that there is conflicting research, it would be wise to seek advice before taking vitamins or supplements.	
7	Nicola Kingston, Lambeth Patient Participation Group Network (LPPGN) (not present)	<u>Funding for co-production of enhanced prevention work:</u> On behalf of Nicola Kingston, LPPGN Chair, Wai Hai, LPPGN, requested funding for co-production of enhanced prevention work.	It would be useful to have a broader conversation in relation to details of the request.  Amanda Williams confirmed that the CCG was funding some prevention work and it was noted that going forward the Lambeth Together programme would provide opportunity for co-production.	None