

Minutes			
Title of Meeting:	PUBLIC Rotherham Place Board: Partnership Business		
Time of Meeting:	9.30am – 10.30am		
Date of Meeting:	Wednesday 19 March 2025		
Venue:	John Smith Room, Rotherham Town Hall		
Chair:	Chris Edwards		
Contact for Meeting:	Lydia George: lydia.george@nhs.net/ Wendy Commons: wcommons@nhs.net		
Apologies:	Wendy Allott, NHS SY ICB Anand Barmade, Connect Healthcare Rotherham Richard Jenkins, The Rotherham NHS Foundation Trust Toby Lewis, Rotherham, Doncaster and South Humber NHS Foundation Andrew Russell, NHS SY ICB Ian Spicer, RMBC Gordon Laidlaw, NHS SY Integrated Care Board		
Conflicts of Interest:	General declarations were acknowledged for Members as providers/commissioners of services. However, no specific direct conflicts/declarations were made relating to any items on today's agenda.		
Quoracy:	Confirmed as quorate.		

Members:

Chris Edwards (**CE**), Executive Place Director, Rotherham Place, NHS South Yorkshire Integrated Care Board (NHS SY ICB Sharon Kemp (**SK**), Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council Claire Smith (**CS**), Director of Partnerships Rotherham Place, NHS SY ICB Wendy Allott (**WA**), Director of Financial Transformation - Rotherham, NHS SY ICB Alex Hawley (**BA**) Acting Director of Public Health, Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Court

Alex Hawley (**BA**), Acting Director of Public Health, Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council Shafiq Hussain (**SH**), Chief Executive, Voluntary Action Rotherham

Bob Kirton (**BK**), Managing Director, Rotherham NHS Foundation Trust (deputising) Julie Warren Sykes (**JWS**)I, Deputy Chief Nurse, Rotherham, NHS SY ICB Julie Thornton (**JT**), Care Group Director, Rotherham, Doncaster and South Humber NHS

Foundation Trust (deputising)

Participants:

Cllr Joanna Baker-Rogers (**JBR**), Health & Wellbeing Board Chair, RMBC Mat Cottle-Shaw (**MCS**), Chief Executive Officer, Rotherham Hospice Kym Gleeson (**KG**), Service Manager, Healthwatch Rotherham Dr Jason Page (**JP**), Medical Director, Rotherham Place, NHS SY ICB Shahida Siddique (**SS**), Non-Executive Member, NHS SY ICB Lydia George (**LG**), Transformation & partnership Portfolio Manager, NHS SY ICB

In attendance:

Jude Archer (**JA**), Asst Director of Transformation, NHS SY ICB Michael Draffan (**MD**), Place Workforce Development Lead, RMBC Tim Hartley (**TH**), Head of Property, RMBC (for Item 2 only)
Jo Martin (**JM**), Programme Lead – Transformation & Delivery, NHS SY ICB (Items 4 & 5 only) Karen Smith, Director of Partnership, NHS SY ICB - Observing

Minute Taker:

Wendy Commons, Business Support Officer (Rotherham), NHS SY ICB



Item Number	Discussion Items	
124/03/25	Public & Patient Questions	
There were no questions from members of the public.		
125/03/25	Estates Update	

Tim Hartley advised that the group meets six times a year and is continuing discussions around Town centre regeneration initiatives, Asset Management Planning and estates strategies, accommodation requirements across the public sector and asset mapping and data.

RDaSH representation is still being sought and JT will follow up.

TH updated on the work being undertaken on the six workstreams namely, collaboration, Olive Lane Medical Centre, Data, Land and Assets, Voluntary Sector, Badsley Moor Lane and Climate Change. Members were informed that the new medical centre at Olive Lane will begin delivering services from Spring 2025 and is surrounded by new retail properties that are in the process of being fitted out.

Progress is being made toward the Rotherham wide Health Estates Strategy with agreement for a high level vision to allow the alignment of service and estates planning, whilst developing a primary care network estates strategy will also enable the procurement of the best solution bringing Rotherham in line with partner organisations and being more proactive.

TH gave a brief update of progress with the development of Forge Island and the businesses that are due to occupy vacant units in the coming months.

MCS advised that the Hospice aspires to become a 30-bed facility in the future. However, it is not an option to remain in the current premises. It was agreed that the Hospice will be invited to join the Strategic Estates Group.

Action: TH

CE thanked TH for the update and he left the meeting at this point.

126/03/25 Workforce Update

Michael Draffan commenced by thanking partners for assisting with partnership working and the employment opportunities they have provided to support the programmes in place across Rotherham.

He went on to say that partnership working in Rotherham is excellent and the group is well connected with all key employers and partners. Participation programmes are being widened and work with schools and colleagues has included the ambassador programme and the Rotherham College market place event. It was noted that Skill Street is due to open on 1st April raising a good profile for the sector and the SYREC Website now contain a dedicated Rotherham page.

A number of opportunities and risk were highlighted including:

- Pathways to Work Trailblazer/Growth accelerator
- Learning disability and autism development
- Supported internship placements
- Developing work with primary care
- NEET inclusion/reduction
- Developing apprenticeships
- Experience in the workplace

Work is now taking place to roll out the SWAP programmes with TRFT and RMBC for 18-24 NEET clients and with the rollout of the Pathways to Work Programmes to ensure connectivity between the trailblazer and growth accelerator. Further work will also take place to develop



NEET inclusion work and develop the partnership with Rotherham Hospice where there are a number of volunteer opportunities available.

Following discussion about pathways to work trailblazer and how it is high this issue is high on the government agenda. It was agreed that MD and CS will discuss what having the project will mean for Rotherham and how best it can be taken forward using the resources already available including the award winning employment solutions team. Having seen the benefits of the project in Barnsley, BK will also be included.

JWS will also link up with MD on care leavers.

JBR thanked MD for the work done on NEET inclusion which she said was working well and has had a big impact.

Discussion followed around the possibility of holding a future Health and Wellbeing Board at Skill Street to give Members an insight.

Members thanked Michael for the positive update and his enthusiastic approach.

127/03/25

Proactive Care Update

JM reminded members that proactive care is personalised and co-ordinated multi-professional support and intervention for people living with complex needs, usually focussed upon frail patients who have long term conditions. Jo advised that since attending Place Board last October, the model has been tested with changes made. It has been challenging to bring together but monthly meetings with partners attending are taking place. Lessons have been learnt along the way with adjustments made as we went.

Designated leads are in place with named leads for PCNs and a lead social worker and social prescriber with good effective collaboration and relationships growing across teams and services. This approach has led to good care plans being developed for individuals with cross professional learning, enhancing education and shared knowledge.

The focus is now moving from a medical approach to more holistic to include the needs of the patient and their family with patients taking more ownership and able to manage their conditions better, as well as them know who to contact when necessary and thereby preventing admission to hospital.

There have been 363 patients referred into social prescribing with exceptional care reported from Voluntary Action Rotherham. Care for 216 patients has been better optimised on a non MDT route and 25 patients were found to be really complex and taken through the pilot on the highly complex pathway. Previously, care for these would have been reactive and more likely resulted in hospital admission.

JM outlined some of the challenges, particularly around shared ownership and commitment to ensure active participation from all partners and making sure of the right level of expertise is available for effective MDTs.

Following discussion, it was agreed that BK would link Sara Atkinson in community nursing at TRFT with JM. JM will contact IS/SK regarding social care representation and MCS will share Jo's details with Jane Lowe, Director of Clinical Services at the Hospice to discuss Hospice involvement.

JM advised that going forward it is important to ensure momentum is sustained and adaptability is key. Work will continue to ensure engagement is boosted to improve attendance and participation in MDTS whilst also strengthening connections to align with neighbourhood working, prevention strategies and the community service review.

The Chair thanked JM for the presentation and the good progress.

127/03/25

Covid Spring Booster Campaign

JM advised that covid vaccinations will commence from 1 April 2025 for those eligible. The cohort for the 2025 programme is:

- Adults aged 75 and over
- Residents in a care home for older adults
- Individuals aged 6 month and over who are immunosuppressed.

In Rotherham, priority will be given to older adult care homes and eligible house bound patients.

All primary care networks (PCNs) have signed up to deliver the scheme. The district nurse team will support housebound vaccinations and work in taking place with community pharmacy to address any potential gaps.

The campaign will run until 17 June 20205.

The Chair thanked JM for outlining the plan after which JM left the meeting.

128/03/25 Rotherham Place Partnership Update

The Place Partnership newsletter for January/February 2025 was shared with partners for information and distribution within their own organisations.

129/03/25 Place Achievements

Members were informed about two achievements around dementia. One was a collaboration between TRFT and RDaSH to provide support in prescribing decisions for people with dementia. The second, again highlighted collaborative working with RDaSH hospital liaison team and TRFT holding its first dementia focus week on Ward B5 at Rotherham hospital with the aim or making the ward more dementia friendly.

The achievements were noted.

130/03/25 Communications to Partners/Promoting Events & Consultations

- KG had shared communication cards that had been produced to improve communication with health professionals for the deaf community and people with learning disabilities.
- RMBC has launched a new carers directory which provides comprehensive information and support for carers. It will be shared with partners.

131/03/25 Draft Minutes and Action Log from Public Place Board

The minutes from the meeting held on 19 February 2025 were agreed as a true and accurate record.

The action log was reviewed. There were no outstanding actions.

132/03/25 Risks and Items for Escalation to Appropriate Board

There were no new risks to note and nothing for escalation.

133/03/25 | Future Agenda Items:

April Agenda Items:

Oral Health Needs Assessment – A Hawley

Standing Items

- Updates from all groups (as scheduled)
- Bi-Monthly Place Partnership Briefing
- Feedback from SY ICP Meetings Bi Monthly
- Place Achievements (as and when)

134/03/25 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will take place on *Wednesday 16 April 2025* in the John Smith Room, Town Hall, Rotherham.



Members

Chris Edwards	Executive Place Director/ICB Deputy	NHS South Yorkshire Integrated Care
(Joint Chair)	Chief Executive	Board
Sharon Kemp (Joint Chair) Quarterly attendance)	Chief Executive	Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council
Ian Spicer	Strategic Director, Adult Care, Housing and Public Health/Deputy CE	Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council
Ben Anderson	Director of Public Health	Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council
Richard Jenkins	Chief Executive	The Rotherham NHS Foundation Trust
Bob Kirton	Managing Director	The Rotherham NHS Foundation Trust
Shafiq Hussain	Chief Executive	Voluntary Action Rotherham
Toby Lewis	Chief Executive	Rotherham, Doncaster and South Humber NHS Foundation Trust
Dr Anand Barmade	Medial Director	Connect Healthcare Rotherham (GP Federation)

Participants

Cllr Joanna Baker- Rogers	Chair of H&WB Board	Rotherham Health and Wellbeing Board
Claire Smith	Director of Partnerships, Rotherham Place	NHS South Yorkshire Integrated Care Board
Andrew Russell	Director of Nursing, Rotherham & Doncaster Place	NHS South Yorkshire Integrated Care Board
Dr Jason Page	Medical Director, Rotherham Place	NHS South Yorkshire Integrated Care Board
Wendy Allott	Director of Financial Transformation Rotherham Place	NHS South Yorkshire Integrated Care Board
Shahida Siddique	Independent Non-Executive Member	NHS South Yorkshire Integrated Care Board
Nicola Curley	Director of Children's Services, RMBC	Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council
Matt Cottle-Shaw	Chief Executive	Rotherham Hospice
Kym Gleeson	Service Manager	Healthwatch Rotherham
Lydia George	Transformation and Partnership Portfolio Manager (Rotherham)	NHS South Yorkshire Integrated Care Board
Gordon Laidlaw	Head of Communications	NHS South Yorkshire Integrated Care Board
Julie Thornton	Care Group Director	Rotherham, Doncaster and South Humber NHS Foundation Trust