INVERCLYDE JOINT CARE BOARD

MINUTE OF MEETING OF 17 FEBRUARY 2010 AT 2 PM

MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, GREENOCK

Present: Councillors T Fyfe and J McIlwee (Chair), Mr R Murphy and Mrs B Billings (Inverclyde Council), Mr D Walker and Ms S McCorry-Rice (Inverclyde CHP) and Mrs N McFadden (Inverclyde Community Care Forum).

Present Also: Ms M McGinley and Mr N Duffy (Inverclyde Council).

Apologies: Councillor R Ahlfeld (Inverclyde Council) and Ms Marion Robinson (Scottish Government).

MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minute of the meeting held on 21 October 2009 was submitted and approved subject to the deletion of the statement "Councillor Fyfe left the meeting at this juncture".

SHIFTING THE BALANCE OF CARE IMPROVEMENT FRAMEWORK - AGREEING PRIORITIES AND DELIVERING OUTCOMES - PROGRESS AND ACTION PLAN

There was submitted a report by the Head of Community Care & Strategy informing the Joint Care Board of the progress of the local implementation of "National Shifting the Balance of Care Framework".

It was noted that a follow up report would be submitted to the next meeting of the Board.

The Board agreed to endorse the action plan and support the work required to develop the SBC improvement framework locally.

"REMEMBER I'M STILL ME" - INVERCLYDE PROGRESS

There was submitted a report by the Head of Community Care & Strategy (1) updating the Joint Care Board on local plans developed in partnership with the NHS and the Care Home Sector to deliver the key recommendations of the Care Commission and Mental Welfare Commission Joint Report, "Remember I'm Still Me", on the quality of care for people with dementia living in care homes, (2) outlining Inverclyde's current position towards meeting the recommendation contained within the report and (3) seeking endorsement of the Joint Action Plan which sets out how Inverclyde will, in partnership, address the recommendations of the report.

Ms McGinley gave a presentation on the Inverclyde "Remember I'm Still Me" action plan.

The Board agreed:

(1) that the current strategy for the modernisation of Mental Health Services within Inverclyde continue to develop services (which includes services for people diagnosed with a dementia) to more effectively meet the needs of the local population, including taking forward the Local Action Plan for Dementia and the application of the Dementia Care Pathway;

(2) that the Joint Information and Quality Assurance and Advice Group consider the recommendations in relation to current inputs and specific activity which supports the care of people with dementia in local care homes, and identify any further actions which may be required;

(3) that any future commissioning/procurement plans resulting from the reprovisioning of Older Peoples Mental Health Services in Inverclyde take into account the key recommendations as detailed in 2.3 and 2.5 of the report.

(4) that the progress achieved in meeting the requirements of the joint report in Inverclyde be noted; and

(5) that the future planning arrangements to improve the quality of services for older people with dementia in care homes, as outlined within the action plan at appendix 1, be noted.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR ACCESS TO COMMUNITY CARE SERVICES

There was submitted a report by the Head of Community Care & Strategy (1) informing the Board of new Eligibility Criteria for Access to Community Care Services developed in line with national guidance and (2) advising the Board of the implications for the Council in relation to implementing this policy and seeking approval for the proposed implementation.

Mrs Billings gave a presentation on the Eligibility Criteria for Access to Community Care Services.

The Board noted the New Eligibility Criteria for Access to Older Peoples Community Care Services and the implementation scheduled proposed in appendix 2.

The Board then viewed a short DVD created by local carers talking about different forms of respite and what it means to them, explaining the difference which respite makes to carers and the people they care for.