

Report To:	Governing Body Meetings in Common
Report Title:	Coventry and Rugby CCG Chair's Report
Report From:	Dr Sarah Raistrick - Chair of NHS Coventry and Rugby CCG
Date:	22 nd January 2020
Previously Considered by:	N/A

Action Required (*delete as appropriate*)

Decision:		Assurance:		Information:	✓	Confidential	
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Purpose of the Report:

To advise the Governing Body of activity since the November 2019 meeting of the Governing Body.

Key Points:

- Future of Healthcare Commissioning;
- Joint Protected Learning Event;
- Health and Care Partnership; and
- Governing Body Members.

Recommendation:

The Coventry and Rugby CCG Governing Body is requested to **NOTE** the report.

Implications

Objective(s) / Plans supported by this report:	IAF Leadership Domain						
Conflicts of Interest:	Not applicable						
Financial:	Non-Recurrent Expenditure:	Not applicable					
	Recurrent Expenditure:	Not applicable					
	Is this expenditure included within the CCG's Financial Plan? (Delete as appropriate)	Yes		No		N/A	✓
Performance:	Not applicable						
Quality and Safety:	Not applicable						
Equality and Diversity:	General Statement: The CCG is committed to fulfil its obligations under the Equality Act 2010, and to ensure services commissioned by the CCG are non-discriminatory on the grounds of any protected characteristics. Policies/decisions may need to be adjusted in line with any equality analysis or due regard. Any decision that is finalised without being influenced by appropriate due regard could be deemed unlawful.						
	Has an equality impact assessment been undertaken? (Delete as appropriate)	Yes (attached)		No		N/A	✓
Patient and Public	Not applicable						

Engagement:	
Clinical Engagement:	Not applicable
Risk and Assurance:	Not applicable

Future of Healthcare Commissioning

Since our last meeting I have been working alongside our Communication and Engagement team, Executive and Governing Body clinicians to ensure all our primary care Member Practices are informed about the case for change and prepared for the upcoming vote on the future of commissioning and the question of “merger” with the other 2 CCGs in our STP footprint. There is still a level of concern among some Members about loss of “say” and distance from the perceived decision makers, however, the concept of Place and the primary care voice through networks, which is endorsed by all the CCGs and the wider Coventry and Warwickshire Health and Care Partnership, has helped many to see the strength of argument of moving to merged organisations. I am confident that we have provided Members with answers to questions posed as best we are able, not withstanding that some finer points will be iterative and a definite answer is not known but is all underpinned with a sense of “pre-eminence of place” and the central role of primary care within our wider system. Members will be able to weigh the information provided and vote, as required by our constitution in late January.

Joint Protected Learning Event

The annual Joint Protected Learning Event this year attended by GP’s, nurses and other clinical staff across Coventry and Warwickshire was a success as we explored current and future cancer care in our locality and learnt from other areas and were humbled and inspired by the patient narrative that was presented.

Health and Care Partnership

I attended a Chairs meeting of the Health and Care Partnership where we were updated on progress of integration and partnership working as well as the challenges facing us as individual organisations all with common aims for the health and wellbeing of our local population.

Governing Body Members

It has been a pleasure to welcome Sharon Beamish as the new Interim Chair of Warwickshire North CCG and I look forward to working closely with her and her deputy Dr Imogen Staveley.

Finally we have said farewell to Dr Steve Allen who has served in commissioning roles for 20 years in Coventry and who has decided that it is time for him to leave his role as Clinical Director of our CCG. He will focus on his GP practice, his growing number of grandchildren and his wider family. We all wish him well and extend gratitude that cannot easily be expressed in this short note. His leadership, wisdom, humour, organisational knowledge and desire to do what is best for the people of Coventry and Rugby will be sorely missed.

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