

Liberating the NHS Transition Board – City of York Council

DRAFT Terms of Reference

Introduction

The proposal to form a Transition Board is born of a shared commitment to ensure that in a time of dramatic change that change is well managed, and draws on the advice and understanding of key stakeholders and experts. The Board is not intended to undertake the new role of a Health and Wellbeing Board, but to oversee key work streams to put new partnerships and commissioning arrangements in place.

Purpose

1. Oversee and guide the changes outlined in the Government White Paper, Liberating the NHS
2. Oversee work streams to deliver the new partnership and commissioning arrangements within the City of York area
3. Ensure future guidance is analysed and taken into account.

Tasks

1. Ensure that all work streams benefit from links and advice from regional and national leads on Liberating the NHS.
2. Establish a new Health and Wellbeing Board, locating it clearly within broader partnership arrangements.
3. Plan and oversee the transfer of public health functions to the local authority.
4. Plan for the development of a local HealthWatch organisation
5. Develop governance arrangements to facilitate opportunities for joint commissioning to be delivered.
6. Ensure key stakeholders are engaged and involved in the development of new partnership and commissioning arrangements.
7. Ensure any new scrutiny arrangements are robust and deliver sound democratic accountability

Membership

Members will need to have sufficient authority to commit their organisations to agreed actions

Members will be responsible for ensuring that their organisations are kept informed and able to take key decisions

Suggested core members

Co – chairs: Local Authority and PCT Chief Executive – or nominated Deputy
Local GP commissioning consortium chair(s) and Chief Executives
Director of Public Health or Associate DPH for York
Director of Adults Children and Education (CYC)
PCT Locality Director
Chair of York LINK
Strategic Lead York Hospital Foundation Trust
CVS Chief Executive

Additional members may be invited as required including:

Relevant officers from CYC
Relevant officers from PCT
Relevant experts
Regional advisers

Decision making

Decision making will be within the frameworks of partner organisations