Note of Meeting of

Health and Social Care Forum

Thursday 04 December, 10.00am – 12.00pm

Craig Mitchell House, Flemington Road, Glenrothes

Present:
Kenny Murphy (Chair), Jo Clark, Christine Davison: Fife Voluntary Action
Charlie Kirsten: The Richmond Fellowship Scotland
Anne Buchanan: Alzheimer Scotland
Norma Philpott: CARF
Elaine Fox: ENeRGI
George Cuthill: Fife Alcohol Support Service
Bill Baird: Royal Voluntary Service
Maggie Wright: Families in Trauma
Fiona Smith, Andrea Sharp: Crossroads Fife Central
Grahame Blair: Barony Housing Association
Ewan Masson: Dunfermline Advocacy
Irene Blackburn, Selina Grieve: LinkLiving
Norma Philpott: CARF
Annmarie Pocock: Circles Network

Apologies:
Alison Brown: Furniture Plus
John Stirling: Disabilities Fife
Duncan Mitchell, Wendy Barbour: FEAT
Sarah Smith: LinkLiving
Debbie Finlayson: British Red Cross
Eileen McCrossan: Scottish Autism
Jim Bett: Fife Alcohol Support Service
Jackie Morrison: DPHS
Linda Cruickshank: RNIB
John McKendrick: Fife Elderly Forum
Integration Update

Kenny shared a diagram by Vicki Irons from papers for the Health and Social Care Partnership, the diagram shows the different layers of care:

- Acute care
- Care in transition/intermediate settings
- Primary care
- Care at home
- Improving health

The idea behind the model is that patients/people stay on the outer circles, or move outward towards the outer circles, going from the centre (most critical) to the outer perimeters (preventative and anticipatory).

Kenny then gave an update on key documents:

- The Integrated Shadow Board has requested a first draft of the Strategic Plan for Integration to be with them fairly early in the new year. The strategic plan will outline how services are to be delivered under the new integrated structures, and include commissioning. The Partnership Management Group (PMG) will change; Sandy Riddell is currently establishing his own senior management team. A separate ‘transformational group’ which will include
representatives from the third and private sectors is proposed but what its role and responsibilities will be is yet to be defined.

- The Integration Scheme will be open for consultation on Wednesday 10 December 2014, Heather Ford and Fiona McKenzie have requested to attend the January Health and Social Care forum to consult on this. It is expected that the scheme will be approved by April 2015. Kenny asked during the shadow board meeting that the third sector be referenced in the Integration Scheme, it is a formal agreement between Fife Council and NHS Fife but it could easily mention that the purpose is for the 2 main parties to work with others.

- A leaflet has been produced for the Integration Scheme consultation. This outlines the 14 sections that will be consulted on for the scheme, this includes:
  - Definitions and Interpretation
  - Local Governance Arrangements
  - Delegation of Functions
  - Local Operational Delivery Arrangements
  - Clinical and Care Governance
  - Chief Officer
  - Workforce
  - Finance
  - Participation and Engagement
  - Information Sharing and Confidentiality
  - Complaints
  - Claims Handling, Liability and Indemnity
  - Risk Management
  - Dispute Resolution Mechanism

- A localities structure of 7 areas has been approved following the Fife Localities Consultation. The consultation received over 600 responses. It has been agreed that these localities will be overseen by Divisional General Managers covering: East Fife, West Fife, Fife Wide. It has been announced that the manger for East Fife is Vicky Irons (currently CHP General Manager for Glenrothes and North East Fife).

Integrated Care Fund Discussion

Proposals for the Integrated Care Fund (ICF) were evaluated by all four partners (NHS, Social Work, third sector representative and private sector representative). Fife’s share of the ICF is £6.73 million. The proposals will be submitted to the Shadow Board for approval.

New and innovative ways of using the ICF were discussed at previous Health and Social Care Forums. However the plan to be submitted to the partnership does not reflect these discussions. Timeframes and the brief outlined for the ICF proposals made it too difficult for a coordinated approach from the third sector to be achieved. A set of criteria and scoring mechanism was developed in very short order and proposals needed to be submitted and scored without knowing what these contained. We had been told that it was also necessary to provide evidence of projects that are already operating successfully. Due to these factors a proposal was submitted for the projects operating under the Community Interventions Fund (CIF) which was set up using the Reshaping Care for Older People (RCOP) fund. The Forum discussed how the ICF was a missed opportunity for the sector and expressed disappointment at the rushed process and lack of opportunity for the third sector to develop an innovative proposal.
The Forum discussed the following:

- The representation of the third sector at partnerships such as Health and Social Care and the Shadow Board for Integration. It was unanimously agreed that the Forum support Kenny as the third sector representative at the partnership level and he has a mandate to act in the best interests of the wider third sector, through this Forum at the very least.
- A joint inspection has taken place on services for older people in Fife which looked at how the Reshaping Care for Older People (RCOP) Programme was implemented. It is understood that the third sector received no criticism from this report.
- Concern was raised about how the third sector fits into the integration landscape going forward. There is a lot of talk about third sector being a key partner, but colleagues reported that it really doesn’t feel like it. Colleagues particularly expressed discontent at Kenny and FVA being excluded from the Community Capacity Building Group set up to support Joint Commissioning within Integration.

Self-Directed Support Fund Discussion

The Scottish Government has announced a new Self-Directed Support (SDS) Fund. This fund aims to bridge gaps in service provision, and support the growth of independent support and information services. Elaine Fox expanded on SDS (particularly option 2) and the role ENeRGI has had in previous funding for SDS development.

Discussions included:

- How eligibility criteria are set at a critical level which is holding back provision for assessment which is currently focused on “critical”. There is a gap in support for those who do not meet eligibility criteria at this stage.
- Identified issues around the provision of Option 2 (the supported person chooses their support and the local authority makes arrangements for the support on the person’s behalf) and around brokerage of services.
- It was noted that there has been a lack of referrals onto advocacy services.
- People need support throughout the SDS process, particularly if this involves the option of employing a member of staff or having to purchase support.

The Forum discussed how some organisations have built up capacity to meet the demand for SDS, however referrals are slow.

Members present were asked if there was an interest in working in partnership to bid for this SDS fund. It is identified that the following organisations would be interested in this approach

- FEAT
- DPHS
- Alzheimer’s Scotland
- ENeRGI
- CARF and Families in Trauma to offer peripheral support

- The Richmond Fellowship
- Royal Voluntary Service
- LinkLiving
- Crossroads
Managing Information Discussion

Jo invited the Forum to make suggestions on the content and format of the Health and Social Care e-bulletin. Members were also asked for feedback on the Fife Voluntary Action website on its accessibility and content. During this session a directory template was handed out, this template will provide information required to build a directory for the Forum.

Action Christine Davison – To send out an electronic copy of the template to the Forum.

Member Updates

Maggie Wright – Families in Trauma

Maggie introduced herself and her organisation - Families in Trauma, a new social enterprise in Fife. The organisation invites families who have been through a traumatic experience to share their stories through a video which is then posted online. These videos are then accessible on the website for those affected by traumatic experiences, helping to reduce the feelings of loneliness and isolation.

Elaine Fox – ENERGI

Elaine updates the group on the latest Mental Health Strategic Implementation Group (SIG).

Kenny Murphy – Fife Voluntary Action

In February next year, Fife Voluntary Action will host a joint forum between the Health and Social Care Forum and the Fife Employability Forum to explore the links between Health and Social Care and Employability. This Forum will take place on Wednesday 11 February 2015 at the Rothes Halls, Glenrothes.

Date of the Next Health and Social Care Forum

Date: Thursday 22 January 2015  
Time: 2.00pm to 4.00pm  
Venue: Leven Room, Craig Mitchell House, Flemington Road, Glenrothes, KY7 5QF

Forum Feedback

Future Attendance

- Will attend
- Will aim to attend
- Depends on agenda
- Will not attend