

**Forest of Dean Health Forum  
West Dean Centre, Bream  
Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2018 – 7.00-9.00pm**

**Minutes**

**Present:**

Albert Weager – Chair	Jim Spiers – Treasurer
Linda Vaughan – Secretary	Ruth Wadley – Newent TC
Caroline Smith – Glos CCG	Jackie Jenkins – Glos Care Services
Hilary Bowen – FoD Health Care	Judy Gazzard
Neil Moffat – Glos Care Services	Doug Battersby
Barbara Jenkins	Di Martin – FODDC/Cinderford TC
Des Gorman – Glos Care Services	Lynn Sterry – Cinderford TC
Sue Henchley – FSS/Orchard Trust	Lynn Teague – FoD CAB
Gary Deighton	Sarah Scott – Glos CC

**Speaker** – Sarah Scott – Director of Public Health

**1. Welcome and Introductions.**

Albert welcomed our speaker who came to talk about her role as Director of Public Health and the many functions of the organisation.

Sarah explained that she has a team of about 35 people to serve a population of 635,000 with a budget of £31m. They work closely with the CCG and councils and have links with many other organisations.

A brief summary is below but the full presentation will be sent to all members by email.

They are responsible for:

a) **Sexual health services** - preventing unwanted pregnancies. Specialist Sexual health Service, STI testing. Clinics in Gloucester, Cheltenham, Hartbury College and Coleford. Hope House runs Pregnancy Advisory Service, Sexual Assault Referral Centre and HIV treatment. Sexual and Reproductive Health Services in GP led clinics held in Coleford and Staunton and Corse.  
Tel: 0300 421 6500

b) **Healthy lifestyle services** – targeted interventions for smoking cessation, alcohol, exercise and diet. There are two coaches in FOD and anyone can access the service.  
Tel 0800 122 3788  
info@hlsghos.org.

c) **Public Mental Health** –

- Self-harm helpline – 0808 801 0606
- Men talk/girl talk – 8 x 1hr physical activity sessions to promote emotional wellbeing
- Mental health first aid – 0800 122 3788
- GP Lead for Suicide Prevention
- GloW – Gloucestershire Wellbeing is a new campaign aiming to increase the focus on what impacts our social life, work life and financial status have on our mental wellbeing.

d) **Public health nursing** – Trained Health Visitors, Community nursery nurses and School Nurses.  
Health Visitors - contact with Mum to check health and mental health wellbeing. Core delivery of the Healthy Child preventative programme.

School nurses – sexual health, emotional health, eating, bed-wetting and child and adolescent mental health.

e) **Emergency planning** – e.g. flu epidemics,

f) **CGL Gloucestershire – Change, Grow, Live**

Delivers an integrated drug and alcohol service in the Forest of Dean

Tel 01452 223014

**Questions and comments:**

Hilary commented that the mental health first aid team to a brilliant job and are very helpful.

Sue was reassured that there are school nurses in special schools, there is a paediatric nursing service for sick children and there is a dedicated service for children in care.

Neil – sexual health services have been remodelled to include the school nursing service.

Di – It is not mandatory for schools to engage but working with them to give training and support.

Winter campaign – CCG will mirror that of the NHS.

Mental Handicap – specific service not necessarily through Public Health who would signpost.

STI's – mostly under 25's but increase in older people.

Sexual assault referral systems - Care Services are the provider. Under 16's need to go to centre of excellence in Bristol. NB. There is a national problem with recruitment.

People with Obsessive Compulsive Disorder would come under the 2Gether Trust.

**2. Apologies: Chrissie Johnson. Peggy Jordan**

**3. Matters Arising**

New Hospital – the focus group consisting of Albert, Judy Gazzard, Mary Thurston, Tony Midgely, Bob and Sue Young to meet on 18<sup>th</sup> September with Care Services and CCG to discuss the requirements of the new hospital. Points raised will include Outpatients and Inpatients, hospital at home, urgent care services and links with GPs. Some members enquiring about a birthing unit to preserve Forest birthright. The actual site is not yet known although there are two in mind.

It was felt that prepared question to the Citizens Jury were not fully answered although all would have been considered prior to the Jury's deliberations.

Winter planning – better integration and an advice and information campaign with an on-line service.

**4. News Updates and correspondence**

**5. Chair's report: attached**

**6. Treasurers Report: balance of £969.85 following a grant of £200 from Cinderford Town Council.**

**7. Members Reports and Questions**

**8. Future meetings:**

**October 2<sup>nd</sup> – AGM – Sarah Pinkney – Gloucestershire Domestic Abuse Awareness**

**9. AOB – the forum computer to have a service and upgrade.**

## Chair's Report to Forest Health Forum 040918

July and August were quite busy months.

July 12<sup>th</sup> went to the CCG AGM at Sanger House, with Judy Gazzard.

July 16<sup>th</sup>. A&E Delivery Board meeting, Sanger House.

July 19<sup>th</sup>. Went to Care services/2Gether Annual meeting, Park Campus (Univ. Glos.), with Secretary and Treasurer (Linda and Jim)

July 23<sup>rd</sup>. Urgent Care future discussion day at Hawkwood College Stroud. Follow up work on this later.

July 31<sup>st</sup>. Attended Citizens Jury to listen to local presentations. Other Forum members also present.

August 2<sup>nd</sup>. Went to St. James City Farm, Tredworth (Bren McInerney event) and met Malte Gerholt CQC Executive Director for Strategy and Intelligence and a local community leader.

August 16<sup>th</sup>. Visited the Emergency Department at Glos. Royal with Mark Stubbs, SWAST Operations Manager for Gloucestershire. Spent two hours observing ambulance handovers and turnarounds and spoke to a few patients about their experience.

August 20<sup>th</sup>. Went to A&E DB at Sanger House, but felt unwell and had to leave early.

August 30<sup>th</sup>. Went to Forest Hills to listen to feedback seminar on Citizens Jury. Recommended location approved by CCG governors and care Services/2Tgether boards.

August 31<sup>st</sup>. visited Redwell Community Centre, Matson, (Bren event). Met Ruth May, Executive Director (Nursing) NHS Improvement and Deputy Chief Nurse for England.

Albert Weager Chair 040918