

Forest of Dean Health Forum

AGM - Via Zoom

Tuesday 5th October 2021
7:00pm to 9:00pm @ West Dean Centre, Bream

Notes

• **Welcome and Introductions**

Present:

Nick Penny - FVAF

John Thurston

Linda Vaughan - Secretary

Chrissie Johnson

Julie Mackie

Di Martin - Committee

Mary Thurston

Doug Battersby

Julie Mackie

Hilary Bowen

Albert Weager - Chair

Jim Spiers - Treasurer

Marilyn Smart OBE

Anwen Thomas

Sylvia Francis

Apologies

Jim Rollinson

Jackie Jenkins

Ingrid Barker

Ruth Wadley

Lynn Teague

Angela Potter

Bren MacInerney

Cheryl Haswell

Paul Roberts

• **Speakers:**

Dino Motti - Consultant in Public Health

Jane Horas - CCG - Ageing Well Programme

The Health and Care Bill and the The development of the Integrated Care System (ICS) for Gloucestershire.

This important development will mean a new way of making sure that people get the right care and help and will shape the future of health care.

Jane Haros is the Assistant Director of Nursing and the Ageing Well Lead with a wealth of experience in the nursing and caring field.

The Ageing Well programme links up with multiple providers and NHS England. There are 4 elements to the plan:

- Anticipatory Care - to support people to understand their condition with the aim of remaining in their own home with a plan for the future.
- Digital - Control through technology - to avoid a crisis
- Enhanced care in Care Homes - to deliver the programme in full for Care Homes and to extend this to the wider Care Sector.
- Urgent Community Response - to deliver coverage of a 2-hour crisis response at home service operating 8.00am to 8.pm 7 days a week.

The Ageing Well Programme has many interdependencies and the Programme Board links in with other Groups working to deliver the plan.

The details of the programme are explained in the attached presentation which has been circulated separately.

Dino Motti is a Consultant in Public Health who is engaged in Population Health Management.

This is looking at the needs of an ageing population, rising costs and entrenched inequalities. It is part of a long term plan aimed at improving the health of an entire population. It is a learning circle and it is important to return to the intelligence once interventions are implemented.

There are five overall aims:

- Enhance the experience of care.
- Improve the health and well-being of the population.
- Address health and care inequalities.
- Reduce per capita cost of health care and improve productivity.
- Increase the well-being and engagement of the workforce.

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AGM notes

1. Matters Arising from the 2019 AGM

Notes of the October AGM 2019 signed off.

2. Chair's Report - full report attached

Additional points:

Albert is meeting Caroline Smith to discuss the revival of Patient Participation Groups in GP practices.

He is keen to pursue the consultations around urgent care in the South Forest.

A letter has been sent to Dr Weiss and Dr Sandford at the ILP expressing concerns about access to GPs.

3. Treasurer's Report- Balance of £1476.80.

The accounts for the year up to July 2021 have been audited and signed off.

4. Members Reports - nil

5. Election of Officers/Committee members/new committee members.

The current committee were re-elected en-bloc. Proposed by Mr John Thurston and seconded by Hilary Bowen

The Forum is keen to recruit to its committee and membership and so if anyone is interested please let us know.

6. AOB

7. Future Meeting Dates and speakers: The November meeting will feature Ingrid Barker, Chair of the Health and Care Trust and Simeon Foreman from the Gloucestershire Hospitals Trust who will talk to us about membership and being a Governor.

Chair's Report to the Forest of Dean Health Forum 2021 AGM 051021

Covid – 19 has continued have a fall out effect on meetings, reducing them to Teams or Zoom affairs. Health Forum meetings began (Zoom) again, in July and the Forum is very appreciative of the assistance of Nick Penny, Mayor of Coleford, and the town council, for enabling these meetings to take place. As chair my thanks go to secretary, Linda Vaughan, treasurer, Jim Spiers and to all the committee member for their support plus to all those Forum members who have Zoomed in.

Throughout the year I have attended a wide range of meetings, A&E Delivery Board, Blood Transfusion Committee, Integrated Locality Partnership (ILP), Forest Connectors and the Health Forum. Recently there have been Gloucestershire Health Care (GH-C) and Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) annual meetings and a meeting of the GH-C Board to approve the business case for the new Forest community hospital. The CCG closes at the end of March, to be replaced by an Integrated Care Systems Board (ICS) from April 1st. The chair is Dame Gill Morgan and it is expected a CEO will be in place very soon.

The Forum has held two meetings, so far in 2021 and a number of committee meetings. Caroline Smith, CCG and Jackie Jenkins GH-C Community manager for the Forest gave us their up dates relating to the Forest. Bren McInerney, local and national community 'Action Man', popped up to give a flavour of his forthcoming September visit to the Forum.

In September he told members about his lay role in the developing national Community Nursing Plan and the Care Quality Commission's (CQC) Five Year Strategy 2021-26 aiming for a more patient centred approach.

The committee held a number of meetings and discussed concerns relating to variations in access to GPs, vaccinations, cross border patients transport and community services. A prime ongoing concern to the committee is the continuance of care in the South Forest following the hospital closure.

The ILP got going again in July with a new, local government chair, Philippa Lowe. Strong evidence was offered, verbally to suggest partnership working was effective. At its second meeting in September Terms of Reference (ToRs) were discussed and their implications for the shaping of care in the Forest.

At this meeting I robustly raised concerns about the perceived continuance of care gap set to occur in the South Forest when the community hospitals close and a new Medical Centre is awaited.

There has been increasing pressure across the acutes sector as Covid had a significant effect on capacity. Ambulance handovers have been delayed, discharges delayed. All the partner agencies have made valiant efforts to mitigate the difficulties with a strong degree of cooperation and collaboration.

An interesting dichotomy is developing throughout all of this between healthcare and public health prompting thoughts on priorities. Two themes arise, Treat and Prevent, where and how will they interface? Public Health Management (PHM) is very much coming to the fore. A developing clinical tool CINAPSIS is increasingly available to GPs to obtain rapid contact with consultants and accurx allows the transmission digital data such as x rays to be flashed to a waiting doctor.

The Blood Trans Fusion Committee has a new manager, Stuart Lord and he has swiftly made a significant impact.

Forest Connectors has established itself as a dynamic, valuable local resource hub.

Albert Weager Chair 051021