

**Accountable Officer Report**

Governing Body

7 April 2016

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| <b>Is your report for Approval / Consideration / Noting</b>   |                                 |
| Noting  |                                 |
| <b>Are there any Resource Implications</b>  |                                 |
| No  |                                 |
| <b>Audit Requirement</b>  |                                 |
| <b><u>CCG Objectives</u></b>  |                                 |
| <b><i>Which of the CCG's objectives does this paper support?</i></b>  |                                 |
| This paper provides assurance that risks will be identified and managed to help ensure the achievement of the CCG's objectives. |                                 |
| <b><u>Equality impact assessment</u></b>  |                                 |
| <b><i>Have you carried out an Equality Impact Assessment and is it attached?</i></b> No   |                                 |
| There are no specific issues associated with this report.   |                                 |
| <b><u>PPE Activity</u></b>  |                                 |
| <b><i>How does your paper support involving patients, carers and the public?</i></b>  |                                 |
| None required.  |                                 |
| <b>Recommendations</b>  |                                 |
| The Governing Body is asked to note the report.   |                                 |

## **Accountable Officer's report**

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As part of the Yorkshire and Humber collaboration, I attended the Yorkshire & Humber Accountable Officers meeting where the focus of the discussion was a stocktake and review of cross Y & H collaborative working. The meeting provided an opportunity for the sub regions to share progress on developing sub regional collaborative governance arrangements – building on the work done around the ambulance service contract.

Following submission of the 2016/17 Operating plans across the region it was highlighted that there is an increasingly challenging financial and operating climate. In response to this a Sustainability and Resilience QIPP event was held, which the Director of Finance and I attended. This event provided an opportunity for CCGs to share learning, experiences and provided some practical support in order to build resilience.

I was invited to attend a meeting arranged by the LMC to meet with senior clinical leaders, GP trainees and practice managers from across the city to discuss the crisis facing general practice and to discuss national and local solutions. This was a very well attended meeting and was very positive. It also demonstrated to me what active, engaged Clinicians we have in the city, which is a great platform upon which to know we will shortly be launching our Primary Care Strategy.

Nationally 44 Sustainability and Transformation (STP) footprints have been agreed, each with a local system leader. STP boundaries are not the same as statutory boundaries but represent vehicles for collaboration. A further Working Together Strategic Planning session took place this month to move forward the development of the Sustainability and Transformation Plan (STP) for the region. The guidance for the STP footprints has now been received and sets out the ask for the April submission, the deadline which has now been extended to 15 April. A good STP is expected to focus on the big issues for each STP footprint and the early action required to take steps to achieve sustainability. Work is now progressing at pace to develop our STP for South Yorkshire and Bassetlaw and plans have been agreed to bring partners together across the region to share some of the early thinking of the key elements and characteristics of our plan. System-wide events have been agreed for April and June. STPs will be published by each footprint once they are finalised at the end of June. Development days will then be arranged across the region to share learning and test the emerging thinking with peers and CEOs of national bodies.

I jointly chaired a meeting of the Urgent and Emergency Care Network where an update on network activities and national messages were shared.

I attended a meeting of the Sheffield Executive Board where a number of key issues were discussed, including the State of Sheffield report and feedback from the launch of the report in February, The Sheffield City Region Vision and the Sheffield Fairness Commission.

In light of the major financial challenges facing the CCG, the Governing Body agreed a revised QIPP assurance process for 2016/17. At the time of writing, three QIPP Confirm and Challenge sessions are planned with the Director and portfolio leads to review the 2016/17 QIPP schemes and review the approach and progress on delivery.

We held a highly successful half day event with CCG staff on 17 March. This provided an important opportunity for us to share with staff our key challenges for 2016/7 as well as our strategic approach to addressing them. These included improving individual and organisational performance, achieving financial balance, promoting transformational change through our Care Out of Hospital programme, and driving up the quality of care through implementation of our commissioning intentions. I highlighted specific expectations or goals within these key areas and made clear where I wanted us to focus our energies and commitments in the coming year. Staff were encouraged to actively participate in understanding how they contributed to delivery of these strategic priorities. We also looked back over the past year, recognising the considerable work of our teams that provides us with a strong platform on which we can build future success including continuing to work by the values that we collectively own.

### **Recommendation**

The Governing Body is asked to note the report.

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March 2016