

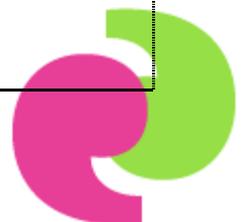
Healthwatch Kingston upon Thames

Mental Health Task Group Meeting
Wednesday 3rd September 2014 10:00am-12:00pm
At the United Reformed Church

Present:

Graham Goldspring, Chair	GG	Maurice McCullough	MM
Alan Moss	AM	Mari Cameron Taber	MCT
Sue Ilsley	SI	Eleanor Levy	EL
Jo Boxer	JB	Seymour McLeod	SM
Jo Gikuyu	JG	Rianne Eimers	RE
Tony Williams	TW	Sophie Bird	SB
		Jo Clarke	JC

ITEM		Action
1.	<p>Welcome and Apologies GG welcomed the Mental Health Task Group members and introduced Sophie Bird, the new Community Engagement Officer of Healthwatch Kingston. Apologies were received from Naushad Alley Suffee, Keith Marshall, Liz Trayhorn</p>	
2.	<p>Notes of the last meeting and actions The previous Minutes were approved. RE provided an update on the Better Care Programme and on the Mental Health Parliament (MHP). The MHP is in formation stage and currently outreach meetings are taking place. JP and SB are attending Safeguarding Training on Friday 12th September</p>	
3.	<p>Priorities Matrix GG outlined the conclusions of the Priorities Matrix and confirmed that the mental health aspects of the Kingston Community Well Being Service came top, followed by Care for People with Dementia. Discharge from Secondary to Primary Care and Carers for those with Mental Health issues came third and fourth. GG asked whether the first two priorities should be dovetailed. The Task Group concluded that each priority had its own specific issues and the Task Group should address them separately. MCT would like work done around general issues, like access to the services, rather than getting into service details. MIND can spearhead a survey on how service users think they can access these services.</p>	
4.	<p>Kingston Community Well Being Service SI summarised the response received from her FOI request to Camden and Islington NHS Foundation Trust in relation to the Wellbeing and Gateway Services. SI advised that while there were a large number of referrals, only a small number completed the assessment process. What happened to the 50% who don't complete the therapy? The Task Group discussed the problem with finding the evidence, as confidentiality boundaries prevented direct access to referrals. MCT suggested targeting the service operators and TW said that a better understanding of the management of the Kingston Community Well Being Service,</p>	



	<p>with specific reference to service user access was required. JG would like to see a breakdown of the ethnic minorities involved with this service. As a result of these discussions, TW will prepare a draft letter to the Information Governance Department of Camden and Islington NHS Foundation Trust asking for a breakdown of information relating to the demographic and ethnic origin of service users of the Kingston Community Wellbeing Service (KCWS). The letter will also request analysis of the referrals, the management process of the gateway and wellbeing services and governance information on the KCWS. The final letter will be sent out by HWK, as soon as possible, following input by Task Group members.</p>	<p>TW</p> <p>All</p>
5.	<p>Discharge from Secondary to Primary Care AM reported that he continues to monitor the figures and there is no marked trend.</p>	AM
6.	<p>Dementia GG will forward to the Task Group some feedback he has received on “What is important to People with Dementia”. It was agreed that the Dementia Strategy at Kingston Hospital was working well, the focus for this Task Group should be on dementia care in the community. GG will draft a letter to Phil Levitt on the lack of patient awareness that they have a choice of which hospital they can go to. GG asked the Dementia Strategy Steering group meeting if there was evidence of any dementia patients being gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgendered. He cited evidence from a West London Gay men's Group (WLGMP), commissioned by RBK, that LGBT people have a high incidence of mental health issues which could be carried into old age. Also what is being done to address the needs of patients with dementia who fit in one or more of the nine equality strands? The Strategy Group minuted to address this. GG suggested that LGBT mental health issues be included at various times, as appropriate, in the work being done by the MH Task Group.</p>	GG
7.	<p>Dates for the next Meeting The next meeting will take place on Wednesday 15th October 10am-12pm at the new Healthwatch office at The Kingston Quaker Centre, Fairfield East, Kingston KT1 2PT</p>	

