Regional Health Forum - Dublin Mid Leinster

Fóram Réigiúnach Sláinte - Baile Átha Cliath – Lar Laighean

Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday, 14th MAY, 2019 at 2:30pm

in the Boardroom, HSE, Area Office, Arden Road, Tullamore, Co. Offaly

**Members Present**

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| Cllr. Greg Kelly |
| Cllr. Tommy McKeigue |
| Cllr. Tom Cullen |
| Cllr. Eddie Fitzpatrick (Chair) |
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**Apologies**

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| Cllr. Anthony Larkin  Cllr. Carrie Smyth  Cllr. Cormac Devlin  Cllr. Charlie O’Connor | Cllr. Padraig Fleming  Cllr. Deirdre O’Donovan | Pat Bennett,  CEO, Chief Officer, Midlands Louth Meath Community Healthcare Organisation |

**Not in Attendance**

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| Cllr. Frankie Keena  Cllr. Vincent Jackson | Cllr. Michael Dollard  Cllr. Andrew Duncan | Cllr. John King  Cllr. William Aird |
| Cllr. Vicki Casserly | Cllr. Anne Feeney | Cllr. Murty Aspell |
| Cllr. Brendan Weld  Cllr. Daithi de Roiste  Cllr. Ossian Smyth  Cllr. Cathal King  Cllr. Mick Duff  Cllr. Pat Hand  Cllr. Paul Gogarty  Cllr. Kevin Daly | Cllr. Brendan Killeavy  Cllr. Alex White  Cllr. Brendan Weld  Cllr. Daithi de Roiste  Cllr. Paraic Brady  Cllr. Pat O’Toole  Cllr. Ray McHugh  Cllr. Vincent Blake | Cllr. Paul Ward  Cllr. Frankie Keena  Cllr. Gerry O’Neill  Cllr. Mark Ward  Cllr. Mary Freehill  Cllr. Pat Doran  Cllr. Thomas Redmond |

**Officials Present**

Mr Joseph Ruane, Head of Primary Care, Midlands Louth Meath

Ms. Ann O’Shea, Chief Officer, Community Healthcare Dublin South, Kildare and West Wicklow.

Ms. Martina Queally, Chief Officer, HSE Community Healthcare East – Dublin South East, Dun Laoghaire & Wicklow

Trevor O’Callaghan, CEO, Dublin Midland Hospital Group

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Paula Lawler, Ireland East Hospital Group

Ms. Eilish Hardiman, Chief Officer, National Children’s Hospital Group.

Mr Ciarán Brennan, Communications Manager, Midlands Louth Meath Community Healthcare Organisation

This meeting included six European HOPE Participant Visitors.

1. **Adoption of minutes of meeting held on Tuesday, 16th April, 2019**

Minutes of the Regional Health Forum’s meeting held in Tullamore on 16th April, 2019 were adopted.

1. **Health Service Executive Updates**

**HSE Service Executive Updates were circulated and noted by Members which included:**

* European Immunization Week
* Avoid the Monsters – HSE’s mental health advice for young people preparing for exams
* April is Bowel Cancer Awareness Month
* Drug Treatment in Ireland: HRB publishes latest figures
* Minister for Health launches new HSE Food, Nutrition and Hydration Policy for Adult Patients In Acute Hospitals
* HSE Delayed Discharges Implementation Group will mean better and safer outcomes for patients
* Lyme Awareness Day – Advice from HSE Health Protection Surveillance Centre(HPSC)
* Advice for World Hygiene Day, Sunday 5th May 2019
* Primary Care Infrastructure – HSE seeking accommodation

1. **Presentation on ‘Preventing Childhood Obesity – Making a START with families and communities**

Cllr Eddie Fitzpatrick (Chairperson) introduced Ms Sarah O’Brien to the Forum members.

Ms Sarah O’Brien gave an informative presentation on ‘Preventing Childhood Obesity – Making a START with families and communities’. Members noted how overweight and obesity remain a major public health challenge for us all in Ireland and how lifestyle habits that support children to achieve and maintain a healthy weight throughout life are established in childhood

A discussion took place after the presentation whereby Members thanked Sarah O’Brien for her presentation. Chairperson Eddie Fitzpatrick thanked Ms. Tracy O’Carroll for her presentation.

1. **Motions**

Response to Cllr. Charlie O’Connor’s motion was not discussed due to no quorum.

1. **Questions**

Responses to questions submitted were not circulated to members due to no quorum.

1. **Chairperson’s Correspondence**

It was agreed that a change of date was necessary for the July Regional Health Forum meeting date due to the change of the June meeting (to accommodate election process therefore the next joint meeting of the Acute Hospital Services and Population Health and Primary Community and Continuing Care Joint Committee in Naas, which will be held on Tuesday, 25th June 2019 instead of 18th June 2019). New date for July meeting (which will facilitate timing for question and motion responses) is 23rd July 2019 to be held in Tullamore.

This meeting concluded with thanks from Members to Cllr Eddie Fitzpatrick for his work as Chairperson including thanks and well wishes to all in the elections, also best wishes to our European visitors from all on their current visit.

1. **Date and time of next meeting**

The next meeting of the Acute Hospital Services and Population Health and Primary Community and Continuing Care Joint Committee is 25th June 2019.

The next meeting of the Regional Health Forum – Mid Leinster will take place on Tuesday, 23rd July, 2019.

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**Chairperson**