



Minute of the Third Sector Forum meeting held at 11am on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2013 in the Hub at King Street Halls.

**Present:** Linda Lennie (Chair), Gail Anderson (VAO), Peter Cockburn (Kirkwall Bowling Club), Pat Shields (Access Panel), Sandra Tait (Orkney Blide Trust), Jan Judge (VAO), Erika Copland (Home-Start), Ben Lindsey (Red Cross), Richard Thomas (VAO), Sue Sulat (Picky Trust), Olivia Tait (Crossroads), Peter Scott (VAO), Andy Spence-Jones (Advocacy Orkney), Ian Cunningham (VAO),

**In attendance:** Cathie Cowan and Christina Bichan, (NHS Orkney), Rachel Peace (minute)

**1 Welcome**

Linda welcomed those present and thanked them for attending.

**2 Apologies**

Apologies had been received from Sue Ward, Helen Moss, Trudy Marwick, Corinne Curtis, Simon Gordon, Hazel Aim and Jack Moodie.

**3 Minutes of the last meeting**

The minutes were approved as a true and accurate record proposed by Andy Spence-Jones and seconded by Peter Cockburn.

**4 Matters Arising**

**i) Item 6 (b) – Rehabilitation and Enablement Services**

Gail informed members that she had been invited to join future meetings to look at bringing services together. Gail will keep members informed of progress.

**ii) item 6 (f) - Autism Strategy**

A list of subgroups had been received and it was noted that several members had been appointed to relevant groups.

**iii) item 6 (g) – Services for Children & Young People**

Gail informed members that the report was still to be circulated.

**iv) Item 8 – CRBS Checks**

Gail informed members that counsellors and mediators would not require to be a member of the PVG scheme unless they worked with vulnerable adults or children.

**5 New Replacement Hospital, Primary Care and Dental Service (Presentation & consultation – Cathie Cowan & Christina Bichan)**

Linda welcomed Cathie and Christina who had joined the Forum to give a presentation on NHS Orkney's preferred site for a new hospital. Cathie began by explaining they were holding a series of public consultations to gather feedback from the community to take back to their Board who would then decide whether to proceed with the Corse West site.

Cathie spoke in detail about what the complex would house and how it would benefit the community of Orkney.

Various issues were raised by members of the forum including:

- road access on an already very busy road
- what facilities would be in place for mental health
- the impact of slow development of new medicines & antibiotics
- maternity services
- new pitches at the Picky Centre
- the number of hospital beds in place

After all members' questions were discussed Gail commented that there were opportunities for developing innovative ways to work with the third sector to share information and expertise. A meeting would be held shortly with Christina to discuss how that might be taken forward.

Cathie finished by thanking everyone for their comments which had been noted and would be put forward to the NHS Orkney Board. All information gathered would be made available to the public after 30<sup>th</sup> August.

Linda thanked Cathie and Christina for attending the meeting.

## **6 AOCB**

**Engagement Matrix** – Gail reminded members of the Engagement Matrix meeting which will take place on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> August in Room 2 Kirkwall Community Centre from 9.30 – 12.30.

## **7 Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting is scheduled to take place on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September at 11am in the McGillivray Room at Orkney Library and Archive.