

27. [Minutes](#)

RESOLVED:

THAT the Minutes of the meeting held on held on 31 January 2019 be confirmed.

28. [Declarations of Interest](#)

No declarations were received at this stage.

29. [Public Question Time](#)

An oral question was received from Ms. Tanja Rebel of Cowes regarding the council's constitution and the Human Rights Act. The Chairman advised a written response would be provided [PQ 27/19](#). Ms. Rebel asked a supplemental question in relation to risk assessments for pulsed millimetre wave radiation (5G). The chairman advised the council had no plans to introduce 5G on the Isle of Wight.

Another member of the public asked the same question in relation to risk assessments for pulsed millimetre wave radiation (5G), specifically in relation to schools and public buildings.

30. [Chairman's Update](#)

The chairman highlighted key issues in relation to the board which included:

- The Isle of Wight NHS Trust had been placed in Financial Special Measures in March 2019.
- The Trust would be subject to a service inspection on the 13 and 20 May 2019 and inspection of "well led" from the 18 to 20 June 2019.

31. [Isle of Wight Suicide Prevention Strategy 2018 - 2021 Update](#)

A report outlining the updates the Isle of Wight (IOW) Suicide Prevention Strategy was presented and requested the board update the strategy and adopt its implementation.

Members were advised that chairmanship of the steering group had been changed. Having engaged with a number of stakeholders, the group were developing an action plan for delivery of the strategy. Following a suggestion that not all sectors had been adequately consulted, reassurance was provided that while membership to the group was limited to ensure efficiency, engagement work was ongoing.

Attention was drawn to the work of the Scrutiny Committees Suicide Prevention Task and Finish Group. Concern was raised that the strategy did not reflect the recommendations made by the group and it was agreed that the task and finish report would be circulated to board members for consideration of this.

Funding was debated. The board noted that while bids for national grants were submitted whenever the opportunity arose, all partners were responsible for resourcing work linked to the strategy and there was agreement that the action plan would need to address funding. Further discussions between partners regarding funding would take place at the Local Care Board.

Discussion took place regarding data and the statistical analysis in the report. Current data was not available, and the last published data was the three-year averages from 2017. More real time data collected by the police and ambulances service was used by the steering group and a dedicated sub-group but could not be published. The suicide rate on the Isle of Wight was noted as being reflective of the national average. Members suggested that work to identify localities where rates were higher could be of value.

Concerns were expressed regarding the lack of mental health support available during in the day and it was suggested there should be a stronger link between suicide prevention work and the mental health blue print. In relation to schools, postvention work and bereavement support was being developed. A protocol was being designed to help schools following a suicide in their community. There was agreement that prevention work was needed in primary as well as secondary schools.

RESOLVED:

THAT the board notes the Isle of Wight Suicide Prevention Strategy 2018-2021 update and accept its adoption across the system.

32. **Pan and Barton Community Project Place Initiatives**

The board considered the report which set out the current position of the Pan Community Builder Project and proposed amendments to the governance of the overall project to ensure its ongoing delivery. Agreement from the board was also sought that Newport and Carisbrooke Parish Council would not be required to line manage the Community Builder which was a function of Community Action Isle of Wight.

During discussion, reassurance was sought that previous issues outlined in the report would be addressed and that changes to the governance arrangements would allow the project to progress.

RESOLVED:

- (i) THAT the governance arrangements for the project to formalise the terms of reference for the steering group and introduce an executive group as set out in Appendix 2 be approved.

- (ii) THAT is be agreed that Newport and Carisbrooke Parish Council not be required to line manage the Community Builder and it be confirmed that this is a function of Community Action Isle of Wight.

CHAIRMAN