



CWM TAF MORGANNWG UNIVERSITY HEALTH BOARD

**'UNCONFIRMED' MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MENTAL
HEALTH ACT MONITORING COMMITTEE HELD ON 8 JUNE
2022, AS A VIRTUAL MEETING WHICH WAS HELD VIA
MICROSOFT TEAMS**

PRESENT

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| Jayne Sadgrove | - | Independent Member/ Health Board Vice-Chair (Chair) |
| James Hehir | - | Independent Member |
| Geraint Hopkins | - | Independent Member |

IN ATTENDANCE

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| Julie Denley | - | Director of Primary, Community & Mental Health |
| Philip Lewis | - | Head of Nursing, Mental Health |
| Robert Goodwin | - | Service Group Manager, Mental Health |
| Angela Edavene | - | Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council |
| Alexandra Beckham | - | Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council |
| Aaron Jones | - | Clinical Service Group Manager (Interim) |
| Wendy Penrhyn-Jones | - | Head of Corporate Governance and Board Business |
| Kathrine Davies | - | Corporate Governance Manager (Secretariat) |

PART 1. PRELIMINARY MATTERS

MHA/22/06/1

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

MHA/22/06/2

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence had been received from Mel Jehu, Independent Member and Gethin Hughes, Chief Operating Officer.

MHA/22/06/3

DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

There were no interests declared.

PART 2. CONSENT AGENDA

MHA/22/06/4 **'UNCONFIRMED' MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 2 MARCH 2022**

Resolution: The minutes were **APPROVED** as a true and accurate record.

MHA/22/06/5 **COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE ANNUAL REVIEW**

Resolution: The Terms of Reference were **APPROVED**.

MHA/22/06/6 **ACTION LOG**

J. Denley referred to the outstanding action in relation to the visit to the Sanctuary and sought the opinion of colleagues if they would prefer to visit a centre within the Cwm Taf Morgannwg (CTM) area. Members agreed that it would be helpful to visit the Wellbeing Retreat Centre in Bridgend. J. Denley advised that R. Goodwin would liaise with members on a suitable date for a visit.

Resolution: The Committee **NOTED** the Action Log.

Action: To arrange a suitable date for Members to visit the Wellbeing Retreat Centre, Bridgend.

PART 3 - MAIN AGENDA

IMPROVING CARE

MHA/22/06/7 **MHA OPERATIONAL GROUP REPORT**

R Goodwin presented the report, which provided Members with an update on the work of the MHA Operational Group.

J. Hehir referred to paragraph 2.3 and sought assurance that the investment would be forthcoming for the work to be undertaken on the en-suite facilities at the Adolescent Acute Assessment Wards. R. Goodwin confirmed that discussions were ongoing with estates colleagues in regard to the work and costs. J. Denley confirmed that the capital programme was significantly over subscribed at present, however, it was hoped that there would be slippage monies that could be utilised to enable this work to be completed.

J. Hehir referred to paragraph 2.11 and the Local Authority Aftercare Registers and in particular, Taff Ely which had quite a high number. He queried whether this was with regard to with the recording of data and patients not being removed who had

previously been through the system and raised concern that Healthcare Inspectorate Wales (HIW) had raised how the health board were dealing with challenges partly around discharge. R. Goodwin advised that Section 117 Aftercare was there to hold the names of every patient who had been subject to a Section 3. There was normally underreporting from his perspective but there was a need to ensure that the information was validated and they were working with Local Authority colleagues on this. He confirmed that there was a discharge process for Section 117 that was not used as much as it should be, as it had to be agreed with the patient and this was something that the Multi-Disciplinary Teams needed to improve upon..

A. Beckham advised that Section 117 Aftercare in Rhondda Cynon Taff (RCT) had the highest number and they were working with Welsh Community Care Information System (WCCIS) colleagues to ensure the discharge process was followed. She advised that she would speak to the team manager for Taff Ely Community Mental Health who was progressing on this work and advised that she would also be attending future meetings of the Committee.

J. Denley commented that Section 117 Aftercare provided free aftercare which could cause discharges to be complicated. She added that it had been subject to some high profile legal cases over the years.

J. Denley advised that with regard to the option of corresponding electronically with the nearest relative of patients detained under the Act, and said she would take this back to the Operational Group to seek further assurance.

J. Sadgrove referred to section 2.4 of the report in relation to video conferencing to support access to hearings and advised the Committee that this was something that the Vice Chairs had raised. The Committee was advised that the pilot had gone well and the intention was to increase this across Wales.

J. Sadgrove referred to the HIW final report on Ty Llidiard that had been published. J. Denley advised that she would pick this up outside of the meeting with the Child and Adolescent Mental Health Team (CAMHS).

J. Sadgrove referred to the Action Plan in relation to the HIW report and advised that there had been an issue in relation to the display of patient information with regard to the role of HIW and there was further work required to ensure compliance. She also referred to compliance with the statutory and mandatory training on which additional work was also required. The Committee noted that HIW had found that Mental Health Act materials were easy to navigate, relevant and that the Mental Health Administrator was knowledgeable and helpful. The Committee extended thanks to the staff for producing such a good system.

J. Sadgrove referred to section 2.16 of the report and the review of discharge arrangements for adult patients and queried whether that had been received from HIW. J. Denley advised that they had received contact from HIW that there had been some findings and a meeting had been scheduled with them today to discuss this further.

Resolution: The Committee **APPROVED** the Report.

MHA/22/06/8

**MENTAL HEALTH ACT QUARTERLY ACTIVITY REPORT/
BREACHES/ANALYSIS OF UNLAWFUL DETENTIONS**

R. Goodwin presented the report that provided the Committee with an overview of MHA activity for Adult, Older Persons and Child & Adult Mental Health Services (CAMHS) for Quarter 4 January – March 2022.

J. Sadgrove advised that it was helpful that the current challenges had been outlined within the report and queried whether the provision of the computer access on Ward 14, Princess of Wales Hospital was easily resolved. P. Lewis advised that it would be easily rectified. The Committee noted that an update would be provided to the next meeting.

J. Sadgrove referred to the section in the report on the cover for Responsible Clinicians (RC) during annual leave or sickness. P. Lewis advised that there was cover during annual leave, however, the operational team were not always informed and this had now been identified and rectified and would be monitored. .

J. Denley advised the Committee that a lot of work had been done to revise the report to focus on the right issues and the trend reporting which illustrated that CTM was not a significant outlier.

J. Denley referred to the activity issue with the completion of the Section 136 forms in Bridgend and that the root cause of this was the lack of police training on the Mental Health APP. P. Lewis advised that discussions were required with South Wales Police and this would take place outside of the meeting.

J. Sadgrove commented that it was crucial that relationships were built with the new Police colleagues and that they are encouraged to attend the meetings.

J. Sadgrove referred to the minor errors in terms of the application of the MHA (page 9 of the report) and advised that there was a clear indicator of where there needed to be some targeted training on the admissions ward and to a lesser extent the Psychiatric Intensive Care Unit (PICU) at the Royal Glamorgan Hospital and Ward 14 at the Princess of Wales Hospital. P. Lewis advised that the data had shown that some targeted training was required to reduce the re-occurrence of this type of error.

J. Sadgrove referred to table 10 and the completion of Form H06 and queried whether this was causing an issue. P. Lewis advised that they were attaching a checklist to each of the forms which resulted in learning from the fundamental breaches. J. Sadgrove said that she hoped to see a reduction in such errors by the time of the next report.

Resolution: The Committee **NOTED** the report.

Action: To review the situation with the lack of a computer on Ward 14.

Action: To discuss with Police colleagues the issues around training on the Mental Health APP.

MHA/22/06/9

RISKS RELATING TO THE MONITORING OF THE MENTAL HEALTH ACT

J Denley presented the report that provided an overview of the current risks relating to the monitoring of the Mental Health Act for Quarter 4 January – March 2022.

J. Denley advised that other reports received by the Committee had already covered most risks, so would only highlight a few matters to the Committee.

With regard to the electronic correspondence to the nearest relative, J. Denley confirmed that there was good governance in relation to this. She advised that the policy in relation to the Responsible Clinician should be escalated with a red rating.

R. Goodwin commented on the feedback from HIW in relation to review of the independent sector and advised HIW had indicated there were no concerns relating to CTM patients.

P. Lewis referred to the guidance on the doctors holding powers and advised that he had included the link. He also advised that no Sections had lapsed during this quarter and that the mental health team were in discussions with Swansea Bay UHB to ensure submissions of the S135/136 data to Welsh Government from Ward 14.

J. Sadgrove commented that it was pleasing to see the quality improvement work.

Resolution: The report was **NOTED**

MHA/22/06/10 **CRISIS CARE CONCORDAT NATIONAL AND LOCAL UPDATE**

A Jones presented the report that provided the Committee with an update on progress in relation to the development of a Regional Crisis Care Concordat group. The Committee noted that the group would ensure the development of a local approach to the implementation of the Wales Crisis Care Concordat National Action Plan 2019 – 2022 across the CTM region in collaboration with partner agencies and third sector organisations.

J. Hehir commented that this was an encouraging piece of work and referred to the partner engagement under section 6 with regard to engaging those that were less involved. He queried whether the health board were on track to roll this out within this financial year. A. Jones advised the pilot the service was in being and recruitment would take place shortly to roll-out the seven day service. He advised that Swansea Bay UHB were just about to move to the seven day service. CTM were currently on Cohort 2 so would be in line with Cohort 1 when they rolled-out the seven day service within the next two to three months.

J. Denley thanked A. Jones for his work on this and advised that this was a major agenda item for Welsh Government and that progress was being made. She added that the Chief Executive

wanted to see an organisation wide approach for the service with clear pathways using some of the learning from Bridgend locality who were leading the way forward in this respect.

J. Sadgrove commented that she had found the report exciting to read which could make a real difference to communities providing equity across the CTM footprint.

Resolution: The report was **NOTED**

MHA/22/06/11 **STRATEGIC UPDATE FROM SOUTH WALES POLICE**

The Chair advised the Committee that there were two items on the agenda from South Wales Police that had not been received and that there was no representative in attendance at the meeting today. The Committee felt that the input from South Wales Police was important and agreed that the Chair would write to South Wales Police with this regard.

Resolution: The Committee **NOTED** the no report had been received.

Action: Chair to write to South Wales Police with regard to their input on the Committee.

MHA/22/06/12 **UPDATE FROM SOUTH WALES POLICE ON THE USE OF THE MH APP**
As above.

Resolution: The Committee **NOTED** that no report had been received.

MHA/22/06/13 **PROCESSES FOR LEARNING LESSONS INCLUDING THOSE RELEATED TO THE APPLICATION OF THE MHA**

P. Lewis and A. Beckham and A. Edavene provided an update to the Committee from both a health and local authority perspective with regard to processes for learning lessons.

A. Beckham advised the Committee that K. Riley the team manager for Taff Ely Community Mental Health would be attending future meetings of the Committee to provide updates.

A Beckham referred to carers and people with experience of not only the Mental Health Act but also their experience of the assessment process which was something that Rhondda Cynon Taff Local Authority (RCT) wanted to focus upon and in particular co-productive and something that the two organisations could do in

consultation and factor in the MHA learning. She suggested that this was something that could be discussed by the Operational Group.

J. Sadgrove queried that the organisations were co-operating as much as they need to in relation to sharing lessons and asked if there more that could be done jointly. A. Beckham advised that there had been some joint training that had previously been undertaken in relation to the issues with the application of the Act and the appetite for shared learning sessions which could be progressed via Teams and she advised that she would be happy to discuss this with the training unit to find a suitable training programme to share the learning across both organisations. .

In response, P. Lewis advised that he would discuss this with the local authority colleagues joining them at the Postgraduate meetings.

Resolution: The Committee **NOTED** the update.

Action: Operational Group to consider and discuss a consultation of carers and their experiences of the assessment process and the Mental Health Act.

Action: To discuss reinstating a training programme with the training unit for health and local authorities and to also discuss with local authority colleagues joining the Postgraduate meeting.

MHA/22/06/14 **STRATEGIC UPDATE FROM LOCAL AUTHORITY PARTNERS**

This item was discussed as part of the previous report.

PART 4 – OTHER MATTERS

MHA/22/06/15 **TO DISCUSS AND AGREE THE COMMITTEE HIGHLIGHT REPORT TO BOARD**

Resolution: The Committee considered items to include within the report and **AGREED** that the report would be prepared by the Governance Team following the meeting.

MHA/22/06/16 **FORWARD WORK PLAN**

The Chair advised that if there were any suggested items for future meetings to relay these to the Governance Team.

Resolution: The Forward Work Programme was **NOTED**.

MHA/22/06/17 ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

There was none.

MHA/22/06/18 HOW DID WE DO TODAY

A discussion was held to evaluate the meeting. The following responses were provided:

The Committee felt that the reports received had helped to promote really useful discussions and the charts had provided a good overview of what was happening over a period of time.

The Chair advised members that if they had anything to add they could do so outside of the meeting.

MHA/22/06/19 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

- 7 September 2022 at 2:00 pm (following the meeting this date was changed to 12th October 2022)