



Be Birmingham Executive Board Brief

The meeting of the executive board on 26th November considered the following:

CAA communications

The Comprehensive Area Assessment (CAA) results were launched on 9th December. The results can be found on the Be Birmingham website.

CAA red flag action plan

Birmingham's CAA highlighted a red flag in delayed transfers of care, this relates to delays in people being discharged from hospital when they are medically fit for discharge. Although this needs to be addressed Birmingham is still performing better than Manchester, Liverpool, Sandwell and Dudley.

Birmingham Health and Wellbeing Partnership will be taking forward an action plan to address the problems and will provide regular updates to the executive board.

LAA six-month performance report

The LAA six-month performance report highlighted that there was a number of targets that were considered off-track and thematic leads should consider using the "testing improvement plans toolkit" to test the robustness of existing interventions.

It was suggested that some LAA targets should be dropped because there was no meaningful data available to monitor performance.

The six-month performance report is available on the Be Birmingham website.

WNF

The main aim of BB director Jackie Mould's WNF progress report was to ensure the executive board had a tighter grip on the programme's performance as it entered the final 18 months, including improving programme management across Be Birmingham's sub partnerships. Subsequently, theme teams will meet regularly to ensure this happens.

Total Place update

Total Place programme manager, Stephen Taylor, updated the board on the progress of the pilots. There is expected to be two key outcomes from the programme, namely tangible examples of reshaping public services with the associated driving down of costs and momentum behind a new approach to public services.

The board discussed the significance of the Total Place approach given the likely pressure to reduce public expenditure in the future and the need to realise the importance of engaging organisations from the bottom up. Be Birmingham will be hosting a Total Place summit on 3rd February 2010 which will showcase learning from the six pilots.





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Total Place learning disabilities pilot

Jon Tomlinson, director of joint commissioning updated the board on the Total Place learning disabilities pilot. There are over 28,000 people in Birmingham with disabilities. Over 50% of the city's total expenditure in this area is spent on residential care.

In order to move the pilot forward there is a need to strengthen the universal offer and develop more community based support to reduce residential care. There is a need to align Total Place with other priorities including disability service pressures, Adults and Communities business transformation programme, joint commissioning and the need to increase employment.

Future Jobs Fund

Birmingham's Future Jobs Fund (FJF) programme is one of the most ambitious in the country. The success of the programme has enabled young people in Birmingham to have a large choice of placement roles across all sectors thanks to collaboration between partners.

The government recently announced that the programme will be extended, back to the original duration of 18 months with the chance to bid for more funding in January.

£3million of WNF funding has been approved to support the FJF programme. This will be used to underpin financial risk, provide additional support to clients and employers and facilitate programme management.

Be Birmingham will be looking at extending the scheme in the next few months by working with partners to increase placement opportunities.

Next meeting

The next meeting is to be held on 26th January 2010 at 08:30.

Jackie Mould, director

