**NORTH EAST LINCOLNSHIRE CLINICAL COMMISSIONING GROUP GOVERNING BODY MEETING**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 9TH NOVEMBER 2017 AT 4.00PM**

**SOCIAL ENTERPRISE CENTRE, 84 WELLINGTON STREET, GRIMSBY DN32 7DZ**

**PRESENT:**

Mark Webb NEL CCG Chair

Tim Render Lay Member Governance and Audit

Laura Whitton Chief Finance Officer

Philip Bond Lay Member Public Involvement

Dr Rakesh Pathak GP Representative

Dr David James Secondary Care GP

Rob Walsh Joint Chief Executive

Juliette Cosgrove Clinical Lay Member

Jan Haxby Director of Quality and Nursing

Joe Warner Managing Director – Focus independent adult social care work

Helen Kenyon Deputy Chief Executive

**APOLOGIES:**

Stephen Pintus Director of Public Health, NELC

Dr Peter Melton Chief Clinical Officer

Dr Thomas Maliyil GP Representative/ Chair Council of Members

Dr Derek Hopper GP Representative

Dr Arun Nayyar GP Representative

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Helen Askham PA to Executive Office (Minutes Secretary)

1. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were noted as above.

1. **CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interests from those in attendance.

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the Governing Body meeting held on 14 September 2017 were agreed to be a true and accurate record.

1. **CHAIR’S ACTION: FULL DELEGATION – PRIMARY CARE**

A report has been prepared to provide the Governing Body with information relating to the application to NHS England, by the CCG, in respect of taking on fully delegated commissioning of general practice services from April 2018, and the Chair’s action that has been taken.

Given the deadline, it was not possible to allow time for formal ratification by the Governing Body, as required within the process. Chair’s Action was taken to ratify the decision taken by the Council of Members, and the formal application was submitted to NHS England on 1st November 2017. The Board noted that 84% of all CCG’s in England are now fully delegated, so this is the expected general direction of travel.

The Governing Body members were provided with background information to the decision taken. The offer of full delegation was first made in 2014/15. At that time the NEL CCG elected to move to level 2 joint arrangements due to a number of concerns regarding the continuation of support provided by NHSE after full delegation; and a lack of clarity regarding the potential financial risk.

Following further discussions with NHS England, the CCG can provide assurance to the Governing Body that the concerns raised previously have now been clarified. Support from NHS England would remain as it is now. CCG staff would not feel any change in terms of workloads, the only exception to this would be if a procurement of a general practice list was required, in which case the CCG team would expect to take the lead. Any existing legal / financial costs would be indemnified by NHS England. However, any increases in costs would be the responsibility of the CCG from the date at which they assume full responsibility for general practice commissioning. Two core benefits were outlined as; full resource being allocated and managed by the CCG; full ownership of the primary care agenda by the CCG which supports place-based commissioning; and full control of strategic direction and decisions at local level.

It was stated that all Committee members of the to-be established Primary Care Commissioning Committee must adhere to the CCG’s constitution and Standards of Business Conduct / Conflicts of Interest policies. NHS England will shortly be releasing Mandatory and Statutory training requirements for all employees, and it was agreed that all Union Board members should take part in this training.

**The Governing Body noted the contents of the report.**

1. **DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

8th March 2018