

WRITTEN QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

A period of not more than fifteen minutes shall be allowed for questions submitted by a member of the public who either lives or works in the area of the authority at each ordinary meeting of the Board.

Every question shall be put and answered without discussion by the Chair. The person who asked the question may ask one relevant supplementary question, which shall be put and answered without discussion.

The following written questions have been received from member of the public.

1. Question from John Kapp — Asset-based Approach

“I welcome the Social Care director, Rob Persey’s inverted pyramid of the operating model Self Help Early Intervention shown on page 107 of the Health and Social Care Strategy (HACS) in item 66 of the last meetings (24.3.20) agenda because it shifts the focus of support to the **asset-based approach**, as described in the Better Lives Stronger Communities Operating Model (BLSC).

This **asset-based approach** focuses on what people can do, not what they can’t do, and builds on their strengths, and community assets, by working with their support networks, the community and voluntary sector, and social enterprises.

Does the Board agree that this **asset-based approach** should be extended to and incorporated in the CCG’s commissioning strategy and social prescribing for which the health budget is more than three times that of social care, at about £470mpa, together totalling £600mpa, which would integrate health and social care by ensuring that both adopt the same **asset-based approach**?”.

3. Question from Ken Kirk – Substance Misuse Contract

“patients with drug and alcohol problems often present to A&E in crisis or with related conditions and providing support for them is a highly skilled job. Yet the new contractors CGL have disastrously cut nurse posts. Of the current fifteen nurses and four nurse prescribers, seven nurse posts will be cut, the number of recovery worker posts is uncertain.

Did the HWB Board approve the Council’s decision to transfer the Drug and Alcohol Service to CGL; shouldn’t the council attach conditions to contracts to stop the emasculation of service, or is the contract price the only issue?”

