

# MINUTES OF ACCESS FOR EMERGENCY HEALTH CARE TASK GROUP

23 MAY 2023

## PRESENT:

**Members of the Task Group:** Councillors Mrs Hassell, Mistry, Mrs Roberts, Roodhouse and Sandison

**Officers:** Tom Kittendorf (Chief Officer – Leisure and Wellbeing) and Veronika Beckova (Democratic Services Officer)

## 1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR

**RESOLVED THAT** – Councillors Sandison and Mrs Roberts be appointed Chair and Vice Chair of the Task Group for the duration of the review respectively.

## 2. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 21 February 2023 were approved.

## 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Roodhouse declared a non-pecuniary interest as defined by the Council's Code of Conduct for Councillors by virtue of being a Director of Healthwatch Warwickshire.

## 4. CHANGE IN MEMBERSHIP OF THE TASK GROUP

Due to her appointment as the Mayor of Rugby for 2023/24, Councillor Mrs O'Rourke was unable to continue serving on the Task Group and was replaced by Councillor Mistry.

Due to his appointment as the Communities, Homes, Digital and Communications Portfolio Holder, Councillor Willis was unable to continue serving on the Task Group and was replaced by Councillor Mrs Roberts.

## 5. DATE OF NEXT MEETING AND NEXT STEPS

The following next steps were agreed by the Task Group:

- With the support of the council's Communications Team, a call for evidence be issued.
- The Chair, Vice Chair and Chief Officer for Leisure and Wellbeing to meet subsequently to the meeting to draft a work programme for the Task Group considering points raised by councillors in relation to the distribution of primary

care funding. The draft work programme be submitted to the next meeting of the Task Group for consideration.

- For the review to progress, it was key for the Task Group to develop good communication with Warwickshire County Council (WCC) and other key partners.

As it was likely that the review would be a lengthy review, an interim report would be submitted to Scrutiny Committee prior to publication of the Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report for 2023/24.

Councillor Mistry volunteered to serve on WCC's Adult Social Care and Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee as Rugby Borough Council's representative.

The next meeting of the Task Group be held in July 2023. A date and time be agreed via email.

**CHAIR**