



Minutes for CCP Meeting 11-06, Monday 6 June 2011

ATTENDEES:	Lord Carter of Coles	Tom Frusher
	John Swift	Kate Collyer
	Janet Husband	Chris Pike
	Peter Smith	Alistair Brown
	John Wotton	Catherine Davies
	Guy Beringer	Anne-Marie Hellier
	Laura Carstensen	Daria Prigioni
	Andrew Taylor	Ursula Everett
		Michiel Verkoulen
		Peter Taylor

Meeting commenced at 2 pm

PART A – NON-CASE SPECIFIC AGENDA ITEMS

1. Opening and minutes of previous meeting

Minutes of previous meeting were reviewed and agreed.

2. Director's Report and update (CCP01)

Andrew Taylor (AT) presented the Director's Report to update the Panel on recent developments.

AT provided an update on the proposed merger of Nuffield Orthopaedic Centre NHS Trust and the Oxford Radcliffe Hospitals NHS Trust. AT noted that the case has been suspended pending the provision of the merger parties' submission on the benefits arising from the merger. AT noted that staff have given the parties a two month deadline to provide their benefits case. The Panel Members noted that in this case a two month deadline may be warranted but that it should not become a procedural precedent.

AT updated the Panel Members on developments in the proposed merger of Norfolk and Waveney Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust and Suffolk Mental Health Partnership NHS Trust. AT noted that the CCP's recommendations in relation to the proposed transaction are still being considered by Monitor.

AT advised Panel Members that the date for the CCP's Any Willing Provider (AWP) report had been extended to enable consideration of the Government's response to the Future Forum report. AT noted that it was likely the AWP report would be presented to the Panel in mid July.

AT noted that the CCP had accepted a new conduct case on 3 June 2011: a complaint by the Lancashire Care Association in relation to whether North Lancashire (as the lead Commissioner) acted inconsistently with the Principles and Rules when setting the fee level for a procurement that is being run for continuing health care in each of the 24 PCT areas.

3. Presentation on competition in the Dutch healthcare system

Michiel Verkoulen (MV) gave a presentation on competition in Dutch healthcare markets. At the conclusion of the presentation there was discussion about the drivers for mergers in the healthcare sector in the Netherlands. MV explained that healthcare mergers in the Netherlands tend not to be driven by national policy.

PART B – CASE SPECIFIC AGENDA ITEMS

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The meeting concluded at 5.20pm.