



**Minutes of a Meeting of the Management Board  
of the Glasgow Centre for Population Health  
held on Tuesday 11 December 2007 2.00pm  
in the GCPH, Level 6, 39 St Vincent Place, Glasgow**

PRESENT

Cllr Jim Coleman	..	Deputy Leader, Glasgow City Council (in the Chair)
Andrew Robertson	..	Chairman, NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde
Dr Linda de Caestecker	..	Director of Public Health, NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde
Mr Ian Manson	..	Interim Managing Director of City Property, Glasgow City Council
Prof Carol Tannahill	..	Director, Glasgow Centre for Population Health
Prof Margaret Reid	..	Professor of Women's Health, University of Glasgow
Prof Phil Beaumont	..	Professor of Employment Relations, University of Glasgow
Ms Pam Whittle	..	Director, Public Health & Wellbeing Directorate, Scottish Government

IN ATTENDANCE

Ms Irene Joss	..	Office Manager/PA, Glasgow Centre for Population Health
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**141. APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were noted from Prof David Barlow, Executive Dean of Medicine, University of Glasgow.

**142. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING AND MATTERS ARISING**

The minutes of the meeting held on 13 September 2007 were approved as a correct record.

**143. MATTERS ARISING**

Item 132 – Work is in progress to summarise the findings from pSoBid1. The pSoBid Team proposes to organise an event for some of the participants as a means of feeding back findings, and also testing how they are interpreted and best communicated. Board members were happy that The Robertson Centre is carrying out the statistical analyses but had concerns about how the results would be presented to the public. Professor Tannahill assured the Board that she would keep members informed as the findings became clearer and would ensure that they had an opportunity to comment before any public communication.

Prof Tannahill

Item 127 – Valerie Millar had met with the communications teams from the University and the NHS Board to discuss the Communications Strategy. Pam

Whittle informed Professor Tannahill that Andrew Wilkie would be the best contact at the Scottish Government.

**144. DIRECTOR'S UPDATE**

The report from the Director [GCPHMB/2007/66] had been circulated, updating members on progress since the last meeting. Specific reference/note was made to the following:

Par. 1 Welcome to newly appointed chair

Professor Tannahill welcomed Andrew Robertson, newly appointed chair of NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde. Mr Robertson had agreed also to chair the GCPH Management Board following today's meeting.

Par. 3 External Advisory Group

The EAG had met on the 12<sup>th</sup> November and the note of the meeting was appended to the Director's report. The committee heard full presentations on the emerging pSoBid findings and on the European regional analyses. Prof Tannahill suggested that the Board might like to receive further information on the European analyses at its next meeting, and indicated that the next phase would involve more in-depth work with a smaller number of regions. This was agreed.

Prof Tannahill/D  
Walsh

Par. 6 Seminar Series

Professor Tannahill reminded Board members of the forthcoming Seminar Series. Dates should be noted in diaries:

All

- 29 January: Geoffrey Boulton
- 10 March: James Scott
- 22 April: Elizabeth Gould
- 28 May: Oliver James

Par. 7 HIA

It was noted that there was an opportunity to carry out a Health Impact Assessment of the Commonwealth Games, including the establishment of a baseline position. Plans were being developed collaboratively with the City Council, NHS Board and MRC Social and Public Health Sciences Unit. This has been proposed as a significant component of the Centre's forward plan.

**145. COMMUNITY HEALTH PARTNERSHIP PROGRAMME & CHP PROFILES**

Pauline Craig gave a presentation on the results of the first phase of her work which took stock of CH/CP plans to address health inequalities, and clarified how GCPH could best influence and support this activity. The CHP Programme is on course to develop over the next year a framework for monitoring and reviewing CH/CP work in addressing health and social inequalities. The Programme is also undertaking a more in depth exploration of 3 services in different CH/CPs, which will lead to the development of demonstration plans taking into consideration population health, health inequalities and diversity as well as current service needs.

Bruce Whyte then provided an update on the CHP Profiles, and gave an illustrative presentation relating to the North Glasgow CHCP. The profiles will be published in January. Bruce's presentation is available on disk. It was agreed that there would not be a press launch of these profiles, but that

individual CH/CPs might seek to engage with local media to highlight the findings. Ms Whittle approved this approach from the Scottish Government perspective.

There was interest in whether any intermediate-type indicators could be identified which would represent progress towards the outcomes described in the profiles, and which could represent attainable shorter-term objectives. Pauline and Bruce to take this request into account in next phase of development.

P Craig; B Whyte

Members also expressed an interest in ensuring that the programme has a practical focus on activity within CH/CPs alongside the useful attention to data and theory.

**146. PROGRAMMES OF WORK**

A report on the Programmes of Work of the Centre [GCPH/MB/2007/68] had been circulated.

Professor Tannahill informed the Board that the work was on track. Members expressed their satisfaction with progress.

**147. FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

A report from the Director [GCPHMB/2007/69] showing the financial position to end October 2007 had been circulated and was noted.

**148. GCPH Review**

Professor Tannahill introduced Jen Waterton, who had been commissioned by the Scottish Government to carry out the funding Review of the Centre.

At this point Professor Tannahill left the meeting and Jen had a confidential session with the other members of the Board.

**149. AOB**

There was no other business discussed.

**150. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The dates for meetings in 2008 were circulated and agreed.

All to note

The next meeting will take place on 13 March at 9.00am at the GCPH.