

Report of the Airedale and Partners Vanguard Programme to the meeting of the Health and Social Care Overview & Scrutiny Committee to be held on 12 April 2018

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**Subject: Airedale and Partners Enhanced Health in Care Homes
Telemedicine Vanguard- Update and Evaluation findings**

Summary statement:

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1. Summary

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2. Background

In March 2015, Airedale & Partners was one of six 'enhanced health in care homes' (EHCH) Vanguards selected by NHS England as part of its New Care Models Programme.

Airedale Telemedicine Vanguard aimed to:

"improve the quality of life and end of life experience of thousands of nursing and care home residents living in Bradford, Airedale, Wharfedale, Craven and East Lancashire – and ultimately for their model to be adopted throughout the country." (3).

The Airedale and Partners Vanguard was led by health and social care professionals from hospitals, CCGs, councils, community healthcare, mental health, IT partners, GP practices and federations and both local authority-run and independent care homes.

The Vanguard involved delivering 'Telemedicine', at scale, to 248 care homes, with an estimated 7,687 residents, across 4 CCG areas: Bradford City, Bradford District, Airedale, Wharfedale, Craven (AWC) and East Lancashire (EL).

The Airedale and Partners Telemedicine service involves "remote consultation and support care" for care home residents via video-link to Airedale Digital Care Hub.

3. Report issues

3.1 Update on Vanguard Programme

3.1.1. In March 2015 was one of six 'enhanced health in care homes' (EHCH) Vanguards selected by NHS England as part of its New Care Models Programme. The programme was focussed on scaling up the existing delivery of telemedicine to care homes to include approximately 100 additional across care homes in the 4 CCG areas.

3.1.2. In late 2016 NHS England requested that all Enhanced Health in Care Home Vanguards, including the Airedale & Partners Vanguard, widen their delivery scope from the specialist area of interest (this was Telemedicine in Airedale and Partners) to widen their delivery to include the full range of activity set out in the Enhanced Health in Care Homes for the final year of the Vanguard 17-18.

3.1.3. Airedale & Partners, as a hospital provider led Vanguard (Airedale NHS Foundation Trust), was only able to deliver this request to extend activity to the full Enhanced Health in Care Home Framework through shifting the leadership to one of the CCG partners. This opportunity was discussed with all CCG partners and, in agreement with all partners, the Vanguard programme leadership moved to East Lancashire CCG in April 2017.

3.1.4. East Lancashire CCG, who already had underway a significant strategic delivery programme with Care Homes were, in agreement with NHS England, felt to be best positioned to delivered the full Enhanced Health in Care Homes Framework in the remaining year of the Vanguard programme. In April 2017 the programme and funding were transferred to East Lancashire CCG however Airedale Trust retains a joint Senior Responsible Officer involved in the programme oversight until its conclusion in March 2018.

3.2 Evaluation

3.2.1. NHS England required all Vanguards to undertake a local evaluation of their work and activity. For Airedale and Partners Vanguard this involved evaluation of the Telemedicine aspect of the Vanguard from the first two years of Vanguard activity and a further evaluation is underway for the East Lancashire CCG element of the Vanguard during 2017-18.

3.2.2. The 3 appendices to this report share the findings of the Airedale and Partners evaluation of the Telemedicine aspect of the Vanguard.

3.2.3 The Airedale NHS Foundation Trust telemedicine service is currently commissioned by all 3 local CCGs covering Bradford District in the majority of their care homes. The homes have the telemedicine kit installed and are able to have video contact with a nurse led hub for medical advice 24/7.

4. Options

Members may wish to comment on the findings of the evaluations

5. Recommendations

That the findings of the evaluations be noted.

6. Background documents

Enhanced Health in Care Homes Framework (NHSE)

7. Not for publication documents

None

8. Appendices

8.1 Appendix 1 - Executive summary document

8.2 Appendix 2 - Evaluation report – qualitative

8.3 Appendix 3 - Evaluation report – quantitative / economic