**Community Health Council**

**Highlights from meeting 6th April 2023**

**Co-Chair Lyneta Russell**

1**. Patient Admission Document**

A draft document had been provided to Council members who provided some feedback.

2. **Clinical Transformation Group**

One of the Consumer Advisors on the Clinical Transformation Group outlined the role of the Group and how she will communicate with the Council.

3. **Rural Health Strategy**

Julia Cronin from Manatu Hauora (Ministry of Health) described the strategy as arising out of the Pae Ora Act and is about developing a status assessment of what rural health is like and what needs to happen to address this and set direction for rural health for the next 5-10 years.

4. **Long Terms Conditions Project**

Over the last few months WellSouth have been re-thinking how they manage long term conditions around the principles of equity, flexibility, simplicity and support with a focus on appropriate care planning and supported self-management.

5. **WellSouth update**

Updates were provided on the Rural Health Funding Review, the Long-Term Conditions Project, an ACC contract supporting patients to get better access to MRI’s and support following a concussion. Currently three top issues are workforce, winter and waitlists. .

6. **Key Community Health Council Member Issues**

Each meeting CHC members outline the key issues in their communities.