

PUBLIC

Item 7

DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

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Report of the Director of Legal Services

Petition relating to the Derbyshire NHS Sustainability and Transformation Plan

1. Purpose of the Report

To consider the receipt of a petition relating to the Derbyshire NHS Sustainability and Transformation Plan and to determine the Council's response.

2. Information and Analysis

The Council has received a petition containing over 7,500 signatures on the Derbyshire NHS Sustainability and Transformation Plan. Since the petition contains more than 7,500 signatures and a Full Council debate has been requested, the Council's Petition Scheme provides that the petition organiser will be given five minutes to present the petition and it will then be debated by Members for 15 minutes.

The preamble to the petition reads as follows:-

"We the undersigned reject the £280 million proposed budget cuts, that is the equivalent of 535 hospital bed losses in the Derbyshire NHS Sustainability and Transformation Plan, or any other cuts to our NHS and the social care budget in Derbyshire. We call on Derbyshire and Derby Councils to refuse to collude with these cuts by signing-off the STP or by accepting the Memorandum of Understanding."

The Petition Scheme provides that where a petition relates to issues upon which the Cabinet is required to make the final decision, the Council will decide whether to make recommendations to inform that decision.

3. Considerations

In preparing this report the relevance of the following factors have also been considered: prevention of crime and disorder, equality and diversity, human resources, legal, environmental, health, property, social value and transport considerations.

4. Background Papers

File held by the Director of Legal Services.

5. Recommendations

The Council is asked to consider the petition relating to the Derbyshire NHS Sustainability and Transformation Plan

**John McElvaney
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