

**MINUTES** of a meeting of **the IMPROVEMENT AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – HEALTH** held at County Hall, Matlock on 16 May 2016.

**PRESENT**

Councillor S A Bambrick (in the Chair)

Councillors Mrs E Atkins, S Blank, D McGregor, Mrs I Ratcliffe and Mrs M Stockdale.

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors W Major and Mrs J E Patten.

**12/16**      **MINUTES**      **RESOLVED** (1) that the minutes of the meeting of the Improvement and Scrutiny Committee – Health held on 14 March 2016 be confirmed as correct records and signed by the Chair; and (2) that in respect of Minute 06/16 – Creswell and Langwith Surgeries, a further update be presented to the next meeting on the progress made on the development.

**13/16**      **NHS SUSTAINABLE TRANSFORMATION PLANS**

Ms J Hollister, Strategic Director – Adult Care attended the meeting to give a briefing on the preparation of the NHS 5 year forward view Derbyshire STP which was being led by Gary Thompson, Southern Derbyshire CCG.

The briefing covered the cross system leadership and a programme support team to develop the STP which built on existing arrangements and relationships to ensure effective engagement with clinicians, professionals, local authorities and other stakeholders.

Following an initial assessment, a number of issues that were driving the forecast health and social care financial gap over the next five years had been identified. Emerging priorities were highlighted and, to tackle the health & wellbeing, care & quality and financial gaps, a plan to move to a place-based care system which was effectively joined up with specialist services had been identified.

**RESOLVED** to note progress on the development of the STP and to invite Gary Thompson to attend the next meeting of the Committee to give a further update.

**14/16**      **HEALTHWATCH DERBYSHIRE**

Ms H Hart, Healthwatch Derbyshire, presented a report on some work undertaken by them to survey how accurately the NHS Choices website accurately reflected the availability of dental providers in the Chesterfield area.

The findings showed that, for all types of dental patients in the Chesterfield area, there was some availability of NHS dentists. The information held on NHS Choices, however, was not accurate, with five out of 21 practices contacted regarding fee paying NHS adults providing different information to that held on NHS Choices. In all five cases, NHS Choices indicated that practices were taking on patients, when this was not the case. This meant that NHS Choices presents an overly optimistic picture of availability. This made it difficult and time consuming for patients to navigate NHS Choices meaningfully to find a dental provider.

Healthwatch had forwarded the survey to the NHS commissioners for their consideration.

**RESOLVED** (1) to note the outcome of the survey; and (2) that access to dental services in the County be considered for review by the Committee.

**15/16      TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF ENDOSCOPY UNIT AT ILKESTON HOSPITAL**      **RESOLVED** to note that Derbyshire Community Health Services NHS Foundation Trust had taken a decision to temporarily close the endoscopy suite at Ilkeston Community Hospital from 1 May 2016 as the highly specialist equipment had become outdated and was nearing the end of its serviceable life and to allow the Trust to consider future options.

**16/16      EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC FROM THE MEETING**  
**RESOLVED** that the public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the remaining items on the agenda to avoid the disclosure of the kind of exempt information detailed in the following summary of proceedings.

**SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS CONDUCTED AFTER THE PUBLIC HAD BEEN EXCLUDED FROM THE MEETING**

- (1) Confirmation of the exempt Minutes of the meeting held on 14 March 2016.
- (2) Report of Hardwick and North Derbyshire CCGs on 21 Century care programme (Containing information relating to the financial or business affairs of a particular person)