

MINUTES of a meeting of the **IMPROVEMENT AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – HEALTH** held at County Hall, Matlock on 23 January 2017

PRESENT

Councillor S A Bambrick (in the Chair)

Councillors Mrs S Blank, D McGregor, W Major, Mrs I Ratcliffe and Mrs M Stockdale.

Also in attendance Councillor D Allen.

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Mrs E Atkins and Mrs J E Patten

01/17 **MINUTES RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting of the Improvement and Scrutiny Committee – Health held on 28 November 2016 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

02/17 **DERBYSHIRE SUSTAINABILITY AND TRANSFORMATION PLAN** G Thompson, STP Lead for Derbyshire and J Goodwin attended the meeting to give an update on the progress on the Sustainability and Transformation Plan for Derbyshire.

Mr Thompson reminded the Committee of the background to the production of the Plan which had been submitted to NHS England in October and made available to the public on 18 November.

Reference was made to the public engagement plans for the STP and there was now a detailed plan for this to be undertaken with Healthwatch.

Councillor D Allen stated that, in his capacity as Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board, he had written to the Secretary of State for Health about the current funding available for local social care and health services to deliver the STP.

Members of the Committee had a number of questions in relation to the content of the STP and these were responded to by Mr Thompson. A number of members of the public were also present at the meeting and the Chair allowed questions from the floor, which were responded to.

RESOLVED (1) to thank the representatives for their presentation and for the information supplied in response to questions; and

(2) that the Chair write on behalf of the Committee to the Secretary of State for Health to echo the comments made by Councillor Allen in his letter and to call for greater freedoms and flexibility within Health and social care to meet the needs of people in the county.

03/17 UHL GLENFIELD CONGENITAL HEART DISEASE SERVICE

NHS England had announced its intention to cease commissioning congenital heart services from Glenfield Hospital, Leicester where its specialist service for congenital heart surgery were provided for patients across the East Midlands area.

Dr S Robinson and A Poole from University Hospitals of Leicester NHS Trust attended the meeting to make a presentation on the services currently provided at Glenfield and the likely impact on patients should the centre close. The geographical balance of CHD provision was severely threatened by NHS England's plans and specifically to the detriment of the East Midlands population.

It was noted that there would be public consultation on NHS England's proposals.

NHS England had already been asked to provide more details of the alternative arrangements that would be offered to patients should the EMCHC be decommissioned and their representative was due to attend the Committee's March meeting to respond to Members' concerns.

RESOLVED (1) to thank the attendees for their presentation; and

(2) that the matter be considered further at the March meeting when NHS England's representative will respond to Members' concerns.

04/17 HEALTHWATCH DERBYSHIRE
the Healthwatch report on mental health crisis.

Ms H Hart presented

The report had been sent to providers and it contained the responses received on the matters raised. Healthwatch would monitor the progress made in implementing promised action and would report to the Committee on this in the future.

RESOLVED that the report be welcomed.

05/07 WORK PROGRAMME **RESOLVED to note the oral update on progress on the Committee's work programme for 2016/17.**