

21 April 2015

Agenda Item: 4

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF JOINT CITY AND COUNTY HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

NUH PHARMACY INFORMATION – GP SURVEY AND ELECTRONIC PRESCRIBING

Purpose of the Report

1. To provide information relating to the committee's ongoing review of pharmacy delay and prescribing issues.

Information and Advice

- 2. Members will recall their longstanding concerns in relation to delays in filling outpatient prescriptions at Nottingham University Hospitals (NUH), resulting in hospital prescriptions being taken to GPs to be filled.
- 3. The results of a survey requested by the Joint Health Committee and carried out by Nicky Bird, the senior prescribing and interface officer for Mansfield and Ashfield CCG (Prescribing Lead for Nottinghamshire) are attached as an appendix to this report.
- 4. In addition, a briefing from the Electronic Prescribing Project Lead Michelle Peet is also attached as an appendix to this report. It is anticipated that the advent of electronic prescribing may mean that it will be possible for hospital prescriptions to be filled by high street pharmacists, which is central to this issue.
- 5. The Joint Health Committee will be considering further information on pharmacy issues in June when Mo Rahman, NUH Chief Pharmacist will be providing information on a recent piece of work by NUH on medicine supply as well as responding to the results of the survey.

6. RECOMMENDATION

That the Joint City and County Health Scrutiny Committee:

- 1) Receive the briefing and ask questions as necessary in relation to this substantial change
- 2) Schedule further consideration.

Councillor Parry Tsimbiridis

Chairman of Joint City and County Health Scrutiny Committee

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Background Papers

Nil

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

All