

**17 October 2023**

**Agenda Item:5**

## **REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

### **TOMORROW'S NUH – PROPOSAL TO CONSULT**

#### **Purpose of the Report**

1. To provide an update on the proposed clinical service configuration under the NHS New Hospital Programme, to advise on the more recent local and national context, and to seek approval in principle to proceed to Public Consultation.

#### **Information**

2. This issue was last on the agenda of the Health Scrutiny Committee in March 2022. Tomorrow's NUH is an initiative giving the Trust the opportunity to transform critical infrastructure, its approach to care provision, to address health inequalities and to spur economic regeneration.
3. The Committee had been scheduled to consider a Tomorrow's NUH update at its July 2023 meeting but this was deferred, pending further engagement with and assurance from NHS England. NHS England has now signalled its approval of the Pre-Consultation Business Case, and has given the green light to proceeding the full public consultation.
4. The report provides recent additional national context in respect of the Government's commitment to the New Hospitals Programme and the impact of reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete (RAAC) on the delivery of the programme. It also advises on 2 estates issues local to NUH – the possible vacating of the Medical School building and the acquisition of a small parcel of land adjacent to the QMC site – but does not propose to pause or alter the proposed clinical model as a result of these issues.
5. The proposed clinical configuration highlighted at the Appendix to this report reflects design principles agreed by clinicians at the outset of the programme in 2020, and the headline elements of the configuration, including having a new hospital for women, children and families at the QMC, enhanced emergency care, also at QMC, a centre of excellence for elective care at City Hospital, and enhanced cancer and outpatient services at both sites, reflect information previously brought before the Committee.
6. Alex Ball and Mark Wightman from the Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Integrated Care Board will attend the Committee to brief Members and answer questions. The NUH Chief Executive Anthony May will also be in attendance to provide additional information and insight.

7. Members are requested to consider and comment on the information provided and schedule further consideration.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Health Scrutiny Committee:

- 1) Considers and comments on the report and Appendix;
- 2) Approve in principle proceeding to Public Consultation, with a view to concluding the exercise before the end of March 2024;
- 3) Note that significant elements of the proposed clinical service configuration are fixed;
- 4) Note that new estate opportunities detailed at Appendix are not considered to be material by NUH , and will not impact on the proposed clinical model by the time of implementation;.
- 5) Considers how it wishes to receive the Pre-Consultation Business Case, Consultation Document and Consultation Plan before the commencement of the Consultation. .

**Councillor Sue Saddington**  
**Chairman of Health Scrutiny Committee**

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### **Background Papers**

Nil

### **Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected**

All