

13 July 2021**Agenda Item: 4****REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE****BASSETLAW MENTAL HEALTH ENGAGEMENT AND PROPOSALS****Purpose of the Report**

1. To provide a further briefing on the proposals for the development of mental health services in Bassetlaw and the engagement on these proposals.

Information

2. This topic was last on the agenda of the Health Scrutiny Committee in December 2020. The proposals relate to in-patient mental health wards at Bassetlaw Hospital, and improvements to this service to better accommodation and provision in Mansfield.
3. The Committee had previously been advised that a key driver for change was that current provision comprised mixed wards of a size that exceeded guidance of the Royal College of Psychiatrists and featured dormitory accommodation, which breached current quality guidance. Provision also catered for both organic and functional patients, which again countered good practice. In addition, a potential solution identified was the creation of an Adult Mental Health inpatient unit for mid-Notts and Bassetlaw patients at Sherwood Oaks, and for a similar inpatient facility for older people at Millbrook
4. Engagement took place in March and April 2021 and, following independent analysis and verification, the CCG will make its decision in relation to the proposals on 20 July 2021. No changes to inpatient mental health care will be made until the process is complete.
5. A briefing from Bassetlaw Clinical Commissioning Group setting out the latest information regarding the proposals is attached as Appendix 1 to this report. An executive summary of engagement findings is Appendix 2. The Summary engagement document is attached as Appendix 3 and the list of Frequently Asked Questions is Appendix 4.
6. Idris Griffiths, Chief Officer, Bassetlaw Clinical Commissioning Group Julie Attfield, Executive Director of Local Mental Health Services, Nottinghamshire Healthcare Trust will attend the Health Scrutiny Committee to brief Members and answer questions.
7. Members are requested to consider and comment on the information provided regarding the engagement and proposals; determine if the proposed change is in the interests of the local health service and schedule further updates on the implementation of the proposals.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Health Scrutiny Committee:

- 1) Consider and comment on the information provided regarding the engagement and proposals.
- 2) Determine if the proposed change is in the interests of the local health service
- 3) Schedule further updates on the implementation of the proposals.

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Chairman of Health Scrutiny Committee

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Background Papers

Nil

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

Blyth and Harworth (Councillor Sheila Place)
Misterton (Councillor Tracey Taylor)
Retford East (Councillor Mike Introna)
Retford West (Councillor Mike Quigley)
Tuxford (Councillor John Ogle)
Worksop East (Councillor Glynn Gilfoyle)
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