

21 November 2017

Agenda Item: 6

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

### **CHATSWORTH WARD, MANSFIELD COMMUNITY HOSPITAL (NEURO-REHABILITATION)**

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

1. To consider a further briefing and progress report on changes to the delivery of services at the Chatsworth Ward at Mansfield Community Hospital.

#### **Information and Advice**

2. Members will be aware from discussion at the previous meeting that Chatsworth Ward provides a specialised neuro-rehabilitation facility for patients recovering from trauma or suffering long-term neurological conditions. The ward has 16 beds, 5-6 of which are used for neuro-rehabilitation, and the rest for general rehabilitation.
3. Sherwood Forest Hospitals Trust (SFHT) has previously identified that the ward does not meet the accreditation criteria for neuro-rehabilitation, being unable to recruit suitable specialist medical, nursing and ancillary staff and is therefore relying on locums. SFHT has informed the commissioners that the service is not sustainable, and initially advised of their intention to withdraw the service from 1<sup>st</sup> November 2017. Further to discussions with Mansfield and Ashfield Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) the date is flexible and depends on alternative services being put in place.
4. On 14<sup>th</sup> November, the CCG will undertake a large engagement event in relation to Chatsworth Ward. This information will be analysed in detail between 14<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> November and presented to the Health Scrutiny Committee verbally.
5. Mansfield and Ashfield/Newark and Sherwood CCG representatives attending the Health Scrutiny Committee for this item will be Sally Dore, Head of Communications and Engagement, Lucy Dadge, Chief Commissioning Officer and Sian Clark, Project Managing Neuro Rehabilitation. The CCG representatives will verbally update the committee on progress with particular reference to recent engagement that has taken place.
6. The Health Scrutiny Committee is invited to consider and comment on the further information provided.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

- 1) That the Health Scrutiny Committee considers and comments on the information provided.
- 2) That the Health Scrutiny Committee schedules further consideration of this issue, if necessary.

**Councillor Keith Girling**  
**Chairman of Health Scrutiny Committee**

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## **Background Papers**

Nil

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

All