

Report to Health Scrutiny Committee

17 October 2023

Agenda Item: 4

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

NOTTINGHAM UNIVERSITY HOSPITALS NHS TRUST - CARE QUALITY COMMISSION INSPECTION REPORT SEPTEMBER 2023

Purpose of the Report

1. To consider an inspection report published by the Care Quality Commission (CQC) in September 2023, detailing the findings arising from its visits to Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trust (NUH) in April and June 2023. The NUH Chief Executive, Anthony May, will attend the meeting to introduce the item and to contribute to discussions.

Information

- 2. The NUH Chief Executive Anthony May attended the Committee's February 2023 meeting, at which he provided his perspective on the priorities and challenges facing the Trust at what was described as the most turbulent period in its history. At that time, the Trust's maternity services and leadership were rated inadequate.
- 3. The CQC has since carried out inspection visits in April (maternity services) and June (well-led) 2023, and its findings published in September 2023 were that both ratings were now 'requires improvement'. The improved ratings reflect the positive impact of the People First Strategy adopted by the Trust to address areas of inadequate performance. However, the report highlights a range of areas where significant improvement is still required, and the Committee will want to understand the actions taken since the inspection visits to address those areas
- 4. Mr May will be accompanied by Michelle Rhodes, Chief Nurse, and by Rebecca Gray, Head of Midwifery to brief members and answer questions.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Health Scrutiny Committee:

1) Notes the findings of the Care Quality Commission's inspection report.

2) Considers and comments on the information provided about the current performance and ongoing improvement work.

Councillor Sue Saddington Chairman of Health Scrutiny Committee

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Background Papers

Nil

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

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