

28 November 2016**Agenda Item: 5****REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE****IN-VITRO FERTILISATION – VARIATION OF SERVICE****Purpose of the Report**

1. To allow the Health Scrutiny Committee to respond to and give views on the consultation on variations in the In-Vitro Fertilisation (IVF) Service.

Information and Advice

2. Members will be aware from other briefing within these papers that IVF has been identified as a low priority service. The Clinical Commissioning Group are currently consulting on changes to IVF services. An initial round of IVF treatment is provided free by the NHS, further rounds of treatment may be paid for privately. IVF services within Newark and Sherwood/Mansfield Ashfield cost £300,000 per year.
3. A copy of the consultation document is attached as an appendix to this report. The document clearly sets out a number of options in relation to IVF treatment. The consultation runs from 14 November 2016-13 January.
4. Health Scrutiny Committees have a particular role in examining how health service changes are consulted on and if the proposed changes are in the interests of the local health service. Members are invited to give their views on how this change is being consulted on, and to schedule further consideration of the consultation response, with a view to determining if the proposed change is in the interests of the local health service.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Health Scrutiny Committee:

- 1) Consider and comment on the IVF treatment consultation
- 2) Schedule further consideration of the results of the consultation.

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Background Papers

Nil

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

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