

**14 May 2024****Agenda Item:4****REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE****NOTTINGHAMSHIRE HEALTHCARE NHS FOUNDATION TRUST – CARE  
QUALITY COMMISSION REPORT FINDINGS****Purpose of the Report**

1. To consider the findings of recent Care Quality Commission (CQC) reports on local mental health services and specialist services at Rampton Hospital provided by Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust (NHT), and to inform the Committee about the actions being undertaken to tackle the failings identified within those reports.

**Information**

2. The CQC published several reports into services provided by NHT in the period January to March 2024. Initial reports covered services at Rampton Hospital, Acute Wards for Adults of Working Age and Psychiatric Intensive Care Wards and Wards for Older People with Mental Health Problems.
3. These culminated in the publication of a 'Section 48' rapid review report requested by the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care in the wake of the Valdo Calocane trial. The review sought to assess improvements at Rampton Hospital, to review the quality and safety of community and crisis services and to revisit the care and treatment of Valdo Calocane. The rapid review report published on 26 March 2024 covered the first 2 review elements – at the time of writing the report into the care and treatment of Valdo Calocane has not been published.
4. The published report identifies a raft of shortcomings in respect of access to appropriate care, the quality and safety of care provided, communications within and between services and lack of appropriate leadership. The Committee will wish to understand the factors that led to inadequate performance across these service areas, and how and by when the NHT propose to address these shortcomings.
5. The Committee will wish to seek assurance that the delivery of any Improvement Plan to address shortcomings will not divert resources nor adversely impact wider services commissioned by the Council from NHT.

6. Given the serious nature of the concerns raised and the scale of the improvement journey required, the Committee will wish to consider how often it wishes to schedule updates from NHT, and where it wants specific focus for future meeting updates.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Health Scrutiny Committee:

- (1) considers and comments on the attached briefing;
- (2) Considers how and when it wishes to receive further updates on the implementation of the Improvement Plan, once finalised.

**Councillor Jonathan Wheeler**  
**Chairman of Health Scrutiny Committee**

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## **Background Papers**

Care Quality Commission reports listed – with links – in the appendix to this report:

Rampton Hospital – January 2024

Acute Wards for Adults of Working age and Psychiatric Intensive Care Wards – March 2024

Mental Health Wards for Older People – March 2024

Section 48 Special Review of Mental health Services – March 2024

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

All