

**WARDS AFFECTED: All**

**ITEM No**

**JOINT CITY AND COUNTY HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

**12 DECEMBER 2006**

**REPORT OF THE HEAD OF OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY (NOTTINGHAM CITY COUNCIL)**

**CEDARS REHABILITATION UNIT**

**1 SUMMARY**

This Committee has previously considered Nottingham University Hospitals Trust's plans to close the Cedars Rehabilitation Unit and provide rehabilitation services at other sites across the campuses. The decision to close the unit was taken some months ago and Members requested that they receive an update on the impact the closure has had on services.

A representative of the Trust will be attending this meeting to discuss this issue with the Committee.

**2 MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION**

Members are requested

- a) To consider the update provided;
- b) To ask questions of the Trust representative in order to clarify any issues: a number of key issues are set out at 3 below;
- c) To make any comment considered appropriate.

**3 ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION**

Issues which may be explored relating to the closure of the Cedars Rehabilitation Unit, which Members may wish to discuss with the Trust representative, are as follows:

- a) How has the Trust sought to provide the same level of service to patients that was provided at Cedars in other locations?
- b) Has any feedback been received from patients on the closure of Cedars and the new arrangements for services, and if so, what messages has the Trust received?
- c) Does the Trust feel that the closure of Cedars has had an impact, positive or negative, on patient care?
- d) Are more patients being treated in or nearer to their homes following the closure of Cedars?

- e) Is greater use being made of swimming pools around the conurbation for therapeutic purposes?
- f) Has the closure of Cedars had any impact on the accessibility of the services that used to be provided there?
- g) What have the financial impacts of the closure of Cedars and the relocation of services been?

**4 SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

None

**5 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS OTHER THAN PUBLISHED WORKS OR THOSE DISCLOSING EXEMPT OR CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION**

None

**6 PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT**

Minutes of the meeting of the Joint City and County Health Scrutiny Committee held on 20 December 2005

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