

8 November 2019

Agenda Item: 3

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

NATIONAL REHABILITATION CENTRE – PRE-CONSULTATION BUSINESS CASE

Purpose of the Report

1. To allow Members to give their views on the pre-consultation business case for the National Rehabilitation Centre (NRC).

Information

- 2. Members will recall from previous agenda items on the NRC, most recently in September 2019 when the Health Scrutiny Committee considered the NRC's travel impact analysis, that the Defence Medical Rehabilitation Centre is a new facility for injured military personnel in the South of Nottinghamshire at the Stanford Hall Estate. Construction started in 2015 for the facility and the centre began treating its first patients at the end of 2018.
- 3. Since the September meeting, the NHS commissioners have undertaken further work to provide more detail on the business case. The plans involve utilising £70m capital funding to develop the NRC as a centre for NHS patients, located alongside the DMRC. To enable the NRC to be developed for NHS patients across the East Midlands a set of options, incorporating a clinical and financial case for change have been devised. These options include the relocation of existing rehabilitation services (i.e. the 24 beds at Linden Lodge on the City Hospital Site that are expected to transfer to the NRC).
- 4. The NHS Commissioners recognise that a public consultation is necessary on these proposals and have therefore developed a pre-consultation business case, which sets out the clinical and financial case for change. Undertaking a public consultation of this scale requires NHS England/Improvement assurance, which includes sign off of the pre-consultation business case by a formal assurance panel. This panel will meet in the week commencing 18th November.
- 5. The NHS Commissioners are also continuing their conversations with stakeholders who may be affected by the proposals (including clinicians, staff and patients).
- 6. Representatives of the Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) will attend the Health Scrutiny Committee to brief Members on the pre-consultation business plan and answer questions as necessary in order to gain local assurance of the proposals

7. A written briefing from the CGG including the business case is attached as an appendix to this report.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Health Scrutiny Committee:

- 1) Determine if it is content with the pre-consultation business case.
- 2) Schedule further consideration.

Councillor Keith Girling Chairman of Health Scrutiny Committee

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Background Papers

Nil

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

All