

JOINT CITY AND COUNTY HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
18 APRIL 2017
CONSULTATION ON PROPOSALS FOR CONGENITAL HEART DISEASE SERVICES – DRAFT RESPONSE
REPORT OF CORPORATE DIRECTOR FOR STRATEGY AND RESOURCES (CITY COUNCIL)

ITEM 8

1. Purpose

- 1.1 To agree the Committee's response to the NHS England consultation on proposals for congenital heart disease services.

2. Action required

- 2.1 The Committee is asked to approve its response for submission to the NHS England consultation on proposals for congenital heart disease services.

3. Background information

- 3.1 In March 2016 the Committee heard from the Congenital Heart Disease Programme Director and the Regional Clinical Director (Midlands and East) Specialised Commissioning from NHS England about NHS England proposals for the future provision on congenital heart disease services, which includes a proposal to cease surgical and interventional cardiology for children and adults at University Hospitals of Leicester NHS Trust (UHL). This is the provider to which the majority of Nottingham and Nottinghamshire patients requiring these services are referred to.
- 3.2 At that meeting the Committee also received a presentation from Dr Aidan Bolger, Head of Service East Midlands Congenital Heart Centre and Stephen Ward, Director of Legal and Corporate Affairs from University Hospitals of Leicester about UHL's perspective on the proposals.
- 3.3 The Committee had opportunity to ask questions of the representatives from both NHS England and UHL and consider the written information provided.
- 3.4 Public consultation on the proposals runs until 5 June 2017. Representatives of NHS England informed the Committee that a decision will be made by the NHS England Board in autumn 2017.

- 3.5 Based on the information and evidence available to the Committee and discussion at the Committee's meeting on 14 March, a draft response to the consultation has been prepared and is attached. The Committee is asked to agree the response that it wishes to make so that it can be submitted before the consultation closes.

4. List of attached information

- 4.1 Draft response from the Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Joint Health Scrutiny Committee to the NHS England consultation on proposals to implement standards for congenital heart disease services for children and adults in England

5. Background papers, other than published works or those disclosing exempt or confidential information

- 5.1 None

6. Published documents referred to in compiling this report

- 6.1 Reports to and minutes of meetings of the Joint Health Scrutiny Committee held on 13 September 2016 and 14 March 2016
- 6.2 Proposals to implement standards for congenital heart disease services for children and adults in England – Consultation Document
- 6.3 Equalities and Health Inequalities Impact Assessment
- 6.4 NHS England Provider Impact Assessment Report

7. Wards affected

- 7.1 All

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