

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Report

Committee:	Health and Adult Social Care Select Committee
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Title:	Proposals to Develop or Vary Services
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Purpose of this Report

1. The purpose of this report is to alert Members to proposals from the NHS or providers of health services to vary or develop health services provided to people living in the area of the Committee. At this meeting the Committee is receiving an update on the following topics:
 - a) Proposals to redesign inpatient Older Persons Mental Health services (Southern Health NHS Foundation Trust)
 - b) Whitehill and Bordon Health and Wellbeing Hub Update (Hampshire and Isle of Wight Integrated Care Board)
 - c) Integrated Primary Care Access Service (Hampshire and Isle of Wight Integrated Care Board)

Recommendations

2. That the Committee agrees the recommendations as set out below for each item.
 - a) Proposals to redesign inpatient Older Persons Mental Health services (Southern Health NHS Foundation Trust)

That the Committee determine whether the proposals constitute a substantial change to health services or not.

b) Whitehill and Bordon Health and Wellbeing Hub Update (Hampshire and Isle of Wight Integrated Care Board)

That the Committee continue to monitor the progress of the development of the hub and request an update at the January 2024 HASC meeting following anticipated planning determination for the site.

c) Integrated Primary Care Access Service (Hampshire and Isle of Wight Integrated Care Board)

That the Committee continue to monitor the item given the importance of enabling access to primary care and request a further update at the January 2024 HASC meeting.

Executive Summary

3. Proposals that are considered to be substantial in nature will be subject to formal public consultation. The nature and scope of this consultation should be discussed with the Committee at the earliest opportunity.
4. The response of the Committee will take account of the Framework for Assessing Substantial Change and Variation in Health Services (version agreed at January 2018 meeting [Framework for Assessing Substantial Change and Variation in Health Services](#)). This places particular emphasis on the duties imposed on the NHS by Sections 242 and 244 of the NHS Act 2006, includes new responsibilities set out under the Health and Social Care Act 2012, and takes account of key criteria for service reconfiguration identified by the Department of Health.
5. This Report is presented to the Committee in three parts:
 - a. *Items for information*: these alert the Committee to forthcoming proposals from the NHS to vary or change services. This provides the Committee with an opportunity to determine if the proposal would be considered substantial and assess the need to establish formal joint arrangements
 - b. *Items for action*: these set out the actions required by the Committee to respond to proposals from the NHS or providers of health services to substantially change or vary health services.
 - c. *Items for monitoring*: these allow for the monitoring of outcomes from substantial changes proposed to the local health service agreed by the Committee.
6. This report and recommendations provide members with an opportunity to influence and improve the delivery of health services in Hampshire, and to support health and social care integration, and therefore assist in the delivery of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy and Corporate Strategy aim that people in Hampshire live safe, healthy and independent lives.

Items for Information

- a) **Proposals to redesign inpatient Older Persons Mental Health (OPMH) services (Southern Health NHS Foundation Trust)**

Context

7. The Committee has been notified of proposals from Southern Health NHS Foundation Trust (Southern Health) regarding OPMH services delivered across Hampshire and Southampton. Namely, these proposals entail continuing delivery of dementia care from two wards at Gosport War Memorial Hospital and Parklands Hospital but to close and repurpose the dementia ward (Beaulieu Ward) at Southampton Western Hospital. A briefing note is appended to this report with more detailed information on the proposals.

Recommendation

8. That the Committee determine whether the proposals constitute a substantial change to health services or not.

b) Whitehill and Bordon Health Hub (Hampshire and Isle of Wight Integrated Care Board)

Context

9. In 2018 the Committee considered proposals to change the services provided from the Chase Community Hospital and the longer term aim to create a Whitehill and Bordon Health Hub. A briefing note circulated in November 2022 noted that the process of agreeing lease terms with the health hub developer (Whitehill and Bordon Regeneration Company) was ongoing, as was the detailed design of the Health Hub. Commissioners have been invited back to the Committee to present the most recent developments since they last attended in January 2023. An update report is attached as an appendix setting out programme milestones and an expected timeline for future progress.

Recommendation

10. That the Committee continue to monitor the progress of the development of the hub and request an update at the January 2024 HASC meeting following anticipated planning determination for the site.

c) Integrated Primary Care Access (Hampshire and Isle of Wight Integrated Care Board and Frimley Integrated Care Board)

Context

11. In July 2019 the HASC was notified of plans to integrate primary care services to bring together two services: the GP Extended Access Service, which was a pilot, and the GP Out of Hours Service. The HASC last received an update in January 2023, which noted that Primary Care Networks (PCNs) had become responsible for providing extended access to their patients in October 2022 having been postponed by a year in response to the additional pressure GP practices

were experiencing in continuing to support delivery of the COVID-19 vaccination programme. Commissioners have been invited to provide part of a series of regular monitoring updates to the HASC regarding extended access since the transfer to PCN's in October 2022. There is a briefing note appended to this report which outlines local developments and data and also contains more information on the Government's recovery plan for primary care which was published in May 2023.

Recommendation

12. That the Committee continue to monitor the item given the importance of enabling access to primary care and request a further update at the January 2024 HASC meeting.

Finance

13. Financial implications of any proposals will be covered within the briefings provided by the NHS appended to this report.

Performance

14. Performance information will be covered within the briefings provided by the NHS appended to this report where relevant.

Consultation and Equalities

15. Details of any consultation and equalities considerations of any proposals will be covered within the briefings provided by the NHS appended to this report.

Climate Change Impact Assessment

16. Consideration should be given to any climate change impacts of proposals where relevant.

REQUIRED CORPORATE AND LEGAL INFORMATION:

Links to the Strategic Plan

Hampshire maintains strong and sustainable economic growth and prosperity:	no
People in Hampshire live safe, healthy and independent lives:	yes
People in Hampshire enjoy a rich and diverse environment:	no
People in Hampshire enjoy being part of strong, inclusive communities:	no

EQUALITIES IMPACT ASSESSMENT:

1. Equality Duty

The County Council has a duty under Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010 ('the Act') to have due regard in the exercise of its functions to the need to:

- Eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation and any other conduct prohibited by or under the Act with regard to the protected characteristics as set out in section 4 of the Act (age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation);
- Advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic within section 149(7) of the Act (age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation) and those who do not share it;
- Foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic within section 149(7) of the Act (see above) and persons who do not share it.

Due regard in this context involves having due regard in particular to:

- The need to remove or minimise disadvantages suffered by persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic that are connected to that characteristic;
- Take steps to meet the needs of persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic that are different from the needs of persons who do not share it;
- Encourage persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic to participate in public life or in any other activity in which participation by such persons is disproportionately low.

2. Equalities Impact Assessment:

This is a covering report which appends reports under consideration by the Committee, therefore this section is not applicable to this covering report. The Committee will request appropriate impact assessments to be undertaken should this be relevant for any topic that the Committee is reviewing.