

HEALTH SCRUTINY PANEL
23 MAY 2012
NHS TRANSITION ARRANGEMENTS (COMMISSIONING AND DELIVERY) UPDATE
REPORT OF HEAD OF DEMOCRATIC SERVICES

1. Purpose

- 1.1 To fulfil the remit of the Health Scrutiny Panel to
- a) scrutinise local arrangements for the commissioning and delivery of local health services to ensure reduced health inequalities, access to services and the best health outcomes for citizens; and
 - b) monitor the Council Executive's statutory responsibility to ensure an effective LINK through commissioning a host organisation.

2. Action required

- 2.1 The Committee is asked to consider the updates provided by contributors and to discuss progress with them to ensure
- a) that robust arrangements are in place for commissioning and delivery as we transfer to new arrangements under the Health and Social Care Bill; and
 - b) that effective arrangements are in place to support the existing City Local Involvement Network (LINK).

3. Background information

- 3.1 As councillors have previously been informed, the Health and Social Care Bill (now Act) proposes some significant changes to arrangements for the commissioning and delivery of local health services.
- 3.2 At its meeting on 28 September the Committee agreed its work programme. In order to ensure that arrangements for the commissioning and delivery of local health services are robust and in the best interests of local health services, patients and the public, it was agreed that each key area of NHS transition would be scrutinised at every meeting.
- 3.3 At this meeting colleagues will provide the Panel with an outline of progress as follows:

Dawn Smith, Chief Operating Officer, NHS Nottingham City Clinical Commissioning Group

- Development of Clinical Commissioning Group and commissioning arrangements.

Andrew Hall, Acting Director of Health and Wellbeing Transition NHS Nottingham City / Nottingham City Council

- Establishment and operation of the Health and Wellbeing Board
- Support to the Local Involvement Network (LINK)
- Development of HealthWatch
- Transfer of Public Health responsibilities to the local authority

3.4 It is the role of this Panel to

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- b) monitor the Council Executive's statutory responsibility to ensure an effective LINK through commissioning a host organisation.

3.5 In order to fulfil this role, councillors will need to engage in focused discussion and questioning in order to be reassured that robust arrangements are in place.

4. List of attached information

None.

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

None.

6. Published documents referred to in compiling this report

Health and Social Care Bill 2010-11

<http://services.parliament.uk/bills/2010-11/healthandsocialcare.html>

Reports to and minutes of the Health Scrutiny Panel meeting 28 September 2011

7. Wards affected

All

8. Contact information

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