

Health and Adult Social Care Scrutiny Committee
12 October 2023

'Tomorrow's NUH' Programme

Report of the Statutory Scrutiny Officer

1 Purpose

- 1.1 To consider the next stages in the 'Tomorrow's NUH' programme in line with the Committee's role in relation to substantial variations and developments of services.

2 Action required

- 2.1 The Committee is asked to:

- 1) consider the request from Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Integrated Care Board to:
 - a. approve the principle of proceeding to public consultation, with exact timings to be agreed, with an intention to conclude before the Pre-Election Period in March 2024;
 - b. note that the significant elements of the proposed clinical service configuration are fixed;
 - c. note that the new estate opportunities (the University Medical School and the Bell Fruit land) are not considered to be material by NUH and will not impact on the proposed clinical model by the time of implementation beyond 2030; and
 - d. consider how it wishes to receive the Pre-Consultation Business Case, Consultation Document and Consultation Plan in due course before the commencement of consultation.
- 2) consider its approach to future scrutiny of this issue.

3 Background information

- 3.1 Proposals for services under the 'Tomorrow's NUH' programme are likely to involve substantial variations or developments of service, and therefore there is a statutory duty for this Committee to be consulted, in addition to conducting full public consultation.
- 3.2 Colleagues from the then Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Clinical Commissioning Group and now Integrated Care Board (ICB) have attended Committee meetings on six previous occasions to inform and seek feedback from the Committee on the 'Tomorrow's NUH' programme, including details of the public and clinical consultation and engagement carried out and how this has informed development of the proposals. In addition, informal briefing sessions have been held for Committee members in relation to specific aspects of the programme.

- 3.3 The ICB has now completed the Pre-Consultation Business Case and it has received assurance from NHS England, who have confirmed the funding and given support to proceed to full public consultation.
- 3.4 The ICB has submitted a written paper (attached) updating the Committee on the current position and setting out the approach taken to arrive at the preferred option for consultation and the proposed clinical configuration. The report also summarises the findings from the latest round of engagement activity and initial thinking on moving to public consultation. The ICB is asking the Committee to:
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 - b) note that the significant elements of the proposed clinical service configuration are fixed;
 - c) note that the new estate opportunities (the University Medical School and the Bell Fruit land) are not considered to be material by NUH and will not impact on the proposed clinical model by the time of implementation beyond 2030; and
 - d) consider how it wishes to receive the Pre-Consultation Business Case, Consultation Document and Consultation Plan in due course before the commencement of consultation.

4 List of attached information

- 4.1 'Request for Health Scrutiny Committee endorsement of the proposal to publicly consult on the investment plans for Nottingham University Hospitals' from Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Integrated Care Board

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 Health and Adult Social Care Scrutiny Committee held on 17 September 2020, 12 November 2020, 14 January 2021, 15 July 2021, 17 March 2022 and 19 May 2022 and as detailed in the attached report

7 Wards affected

- 7.1 All

8 Contact information

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