

# **National Rehabilitation Centre – Update to the Nottingham City Health Scrutiny Committee**

**January 2020**

## **Briefing**

### **Purpose and background**

We have been updating the Committee on our proposals for establishing a National Rehabilitation Centre (NRC) at the Stanford Hall Estate, which hosts the Defence Medical Rehabilitation Centre (DMRC), over recent months.

We are now in a position to formally notify the Committee of our intention to launch a full public consultation on our proposals in March 2020. This briefing outlines what we will present on our consultation plans at the Committee meeting in January 2020.

### **Focus of presentation**

This section provides a summary of the plans we will present to the committee for discussion.

#### **Our approach to the consultation**

We will draw on three core areas of support to ensure our consultation meets its objectives. Each of these areas brings a specific benefit to the consultation:

1. Expertise on best practice - Consultation Institute
2. Ability to reach seldom heard communities across Nottingham and Nottinghamshire - Healthwatch
3. Expertise in the management of public consultation – Agency.

We will facilitate feedback and discussion on our proposals through a range of engagement activity, including a survey; a series of public events and invitations to key stakeholders to provide direct written responses.

We have also commissioned Healthwatch Nottingham and Nottinghamshire (HWNN) to deliver targeted engagement with vulnerable and seldom heard groups. This engagement is directly informed by an independent Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) carried out on our proposals.

#### **Engagement to date**

An extensive programme of patient, staff and clinical engagement has informed the development of our proposals and our approach to our proposed consultation. This includes two phases of focus groups with patients, fortnightly staff meetings and discussions with clinical bodies.

## Options and timescales for a potential public consultation

We intend to undertake a one-option consultation for a period of 6 weeks commencing on March 9 2020, seeking feedback on a detailed proposal for the development of services at the National Rehabilitation Centre. Our proposal will be detailed in a Consultation Document.