

Update on Maternity Transformation – BaNES, Swindon and Wiltshire (BSW)

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1. Summary

- 1.1. This briefing provides an update on the BSW Maternity Transformation Programme in particular relation to our proposed service reconfiguration. We briefed the committee on June 6th 2018 and are attending to update on our proposals.

2. Background

- 2.1. BSW has co-created with women, families, staff and stakeholders a vision for our future maternity services. This work includes a review of place of birth choices for women to ensure we are providing parity for our local population and delivering the nationally mandated Better Birth recommendations. Our review includes services provided by the Royal United Hospital in Bath, which delivers antenatal, birth and postnatal care to Somerset women.

3. Consultations undertaken

- 3.1. We have informally engaged with more than 2,000 women and families to help develop our proposals. Somerset CCG has been involved since the inception of our project in Jan 2017. A formal public consultation is due to commence on November 12th 2018.

4. Implications

4 The aim of our proposals are detailed in the table below:

Quality	Safety	Sustainability of care	Workforce
Improved experience for women and families	Reduction in transfer rates	Better utilisation of resources	Support and enhance skills competencies and confidence
Improved fairness in choice of place of birth	Reduction in intervention rates	Release of funding to reinvest in services	Improve staff satisfaction
Relationship building	Relieve pressures on busy Obstetric Units	Increase birth capacity to ensure future proofing	Support recruitment and retention

5. Background papers

- 5.1. The formal consultation documents will be available from November 12th 2018.

Note For sight of individual background papers please contact the report author