

Healthy Weston Programme Update

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1. Summary

- 1.1. In October 2017 Bristol North Somerset and South Gloucestershire CCG published a Commissioning Context document setting out a clear vision and direction of travel for local services in the Weston & Worle locality. The overall programme to deliver this is called Healthy Weston.
- 1.2. This report and the associated presentation provides an update on the progress being made through the Programme, with particular reference to the work associated with the future clinical service model at Weston General Hospital. .

2. Issues for consideration / Recommendations

- 2.1. It is recognised that a number of Somerset residents use health services in the Weston area, particularly Weston General Hospital. Around 20% of the hospital's patient contacts are from Somerset residents – and this equates to around 2% of Somerset CCG's acute hospital activity.
- 2.2. The aim of this briefing and presentation is to ensure that Adults and Health Scrutiny Committee is appraised of progress and have an opportunity to comment and ask questions about the work to date and our proposed next steps.

3. Background

- 3.1. The Healthy Weston Programme is working to realise the vision set out in the commissioning context published in October 2017 which has previously been considered by the Somerset Adults and Health Scrutiny Committee.
- 3.2. Following extensive public dialogue and co-design earlier in 2018, work has been progressing to take forward the opportunities identified to provide better joined-up care for patients. While many of these opportunities are being progressed through "business as usual" processes, some opportunities particularly those that will secure our vision for a strong focused hospital in Weston, have required further focused work. This includes:
 - The provision of a long term clinically sustainable and affordable emergency and urgent care that meets the dominant needs of local people
 - The ability to retain and recruit to roles in key clinical specialties and critically addressing issues with trainee doctor placements (supervision and satisfaction), which are putting service delivery at risk.
 - The ongoing reduction in the number of pregnant women assessed as low

risk who are choosing the local midwife led maternity service at Weston General Hospital;

- The sustainability of some services which may be more appropriately delivered elsewhere at scale, such as complex emergency surgery;
- The ongoing requirement for premium payments to subsidise specific services that would otherwise not be financially viable.

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3.3. Work has therefore been progressing over the summer to take forward this work and Appendix 1 provides an update on progress and the emerging options that are now being considered.

4. Consultations undertaken

4.1. As previously noted the Bristol North Somerset and South Gloucestershire CCG completed a six month period of public dialogue and co-design earlier in 2018. This culminated in a conference on 19th April 2018.

4.2. The Programme of work has continued, building on the opportunities identified through the public dialogue phase with ongoing opportunities for engagement of the public and key stakeholders.

4.3. BNSSG CCG is working to develop a pre-consultation business case setting out our proposals for assurance by the South West Clinical Senate and NHS England by the end of the December 2018. Our intent is to begin full public consultation as early in 2019 as possible.

5. Implications

5.1. Arrangements are in place to ensure engagement of Somerset CCG and Taunton and Somerset NHS Foundation Trust to ensure that the options for service change are fully aligned.

5.2. We want to ensure that throughout this process we ensure that health overview processes are able to feedback and input into the Programme as required, prior to the planned consultation.

6. Background papers

6.1. Commissioning Context document

https://www.northsomersetccg.nhs.uk/media/medialibrary/2017/10/Healthy_Weston_-_Commissioning_Context_for_North_Somerset_-_October_2017.pdf

Independent Report from the Public Dialogue

<https://media.bnssgccg.nhs.uk/attachments/healthy-weston-evidence-centre-report.pdf>

Healthy Weston October Update

<https://bnssghealthiertogether.org.uk/healthy-weston-programme-update-october-2018/>

