# Dorset Health Scrutiny Committee

# **Dorset County Council**



Date of Meeting	20 December 2017
Officer	Helen Coombes, Transformation Programme Lead for the Adult and Community Services Forward Together Programme
Subject of Report	Joint Health Scrutiny Committee re Clinical Services Review and Mental Health Acute Care Pathway Review – Update
Executive Summary	A Joint Health Scrutiny Committee was convened in July 2015 in response to the undertaking of a wide-ranging Clinical Services Review (CSR) by NHS Dorset Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG), which officially commenced in October 2014. The remit of the Committee was subsequently expanded to cover a Mental Health Acute Care Pathway (MHACP) Review, running separately but in parallel to the CSR.
	The Joint Committee met on 3 August 2017, at which meeting the results of the consultations for the CSR and MHACP were presented and discussed. A letter with recommendations was subsequently submitted from the Committee to the CCG for consideration, prior to their Governing Body meeting on 20 September 2017. A formal response to that letter was provided by the CCG on 15 September and circulated to Members of the Joint Committee and the Dorset Health Scrutiny Committee. At the CCG's Governing Body meeting on 20 September, commissioning decisions were made with respect to the proposals contained within the CSR and MH ACP Review. The CCG noted that a number of proposals had been amended as a result of consultation and engagement.
	The Dorset Health Scrutiny Committee receives an update report regarding the Reviews at each of its Committee meetings. On 13 November 2017 three questions and three statements were submitted to the Committee within the remit of public participation at Council meetings, expressing a number of concerns, particularly in relation to the impact of changes on residents living

	in the Purbeck area. The individuals submitting the questions and statements requested that Dorset Health Scrutiny Committee refer the matter to the Secretary of State for Health. Following discussion, Members agreed to the following resolution:  Resolved (unanimous)  1. That the Dorset Health Scrutiny Committee make a referral to the Secretary of State for Health regarding the outcome of the Clinical Services Review, pending a meeting of the Joint Health Scrutiny Committee by 15 December 2017; and,  2. That the referral is made based on concerns about the proposed reduction in the number of acute hospital beds, the reduction in Accident and Emergency services at Poole Hospital, concerns about travel times, confidence in the ambulance service data, and the lack of a clear Equality Impact Assessment or financial plan.  As a result of the above resolution, the CCG were invited to attend an additional meeting of the Joint Committee to respond to the concerns and to enable the Joint Committee to consider its position, in accordance with governance.  Pending the outcome of the Joint Committee, the current meeting of the Dorset Health Scrutiny Committee was convened, to enable further discussion and agreement as to actions to be taken.
Impact Assessment:	Equalities Impact Assessment: Not applicable.
	Use of Evidence: Reports and summaries published by NHS Dorset CCG.
	Budget: Not applicable.
	Risk Assessment: Current Risk: LOW Residual Risk: LOW
	Other Implications: None.
Recommendation	That members consider and comment on the presentation by NHS Dorset Clinical Commissioning Group;
	That members consider the outcome of the Joint Health Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 12 December 2017;
	That members consider whether they wish to proceed with making a formal referral to the Secretary of State for Health, in light of the further information that has been provided and developments that have taken place.

Reason for Recommendation	The Committee supports the County Council's aim to help Dorset's citizens to remain safe, healthy and independent.
	The Dorset Health Scrutiny Committee has the power to make referrals to the Secretary of State for Health but is required to abide by conditions, including an expectation that efforts have been made to resolve matters locally before a referral is made.
Appendices	1 Minutes of Joint Health Scrutiny Committee, 12 December 2017 (to follow)
Background Papers	Committee papers – Joint Health Scrutiny Committee: http://dorset.moderngov.co.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?CommitteeId=268
	NHS Dorset CCG Governing Body agenda papers, 20 September 2017: <a href="http://www.dorsetccg.nhs.uk/aboutus/20-september-special.htm">http://www.dorsetccg.nhs.uk/aboutus/20-september-special.htm</a>
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## **NHS Dorset Clinical Commissioning Group:**

## **Clinical Services Review**

NHS Dorset Clinical Commissioning Group will be providing a presentation to the Dorset Health Scrutiny Committee, with opportunities for the Committee to ask questions. The structure of the presentation will be as follows:

- Introduction
- Background the need for change
- The future of Acute Hospitals
  - o The future of Poole Hospital
  - o The future of Dorset County Hospital
  - o The future of Royal Bournemouth Hospital
  - Questions
- The Ambulance service
  - Travel times
  - Response times
  - Questions
- Community services
  - o Range of local services
  - Dorset HealthCare community services
  - Community travel work with Dorset County Council
  - Questions
- Financial plan
- Equality Impact Assessment
- Close