

**REPORT FOR: HEALTH AND
WELLBEING BOARD**

Date of Meeting: 1 May 2014

Subject: **INFORMATION REPORT –
GP Hubs**

Responsible Officer: Anna Donovan GP Network Lead
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Exempt: No

Enclosures: Project Initiation Document-
East/North East Harrow Primary Care
and Out of Hospital Care

Section 1 – Summary

This report sets out to inform the Health and Well Being Board about progress with the drafting of a business case to develop a third Primary Care Centre – or hub- in Harrow

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Section 2 – Report

1. Background

In line with Shaping a Healthier Future (SaHF) each CCG is required to develop a Primary Care Strategy to inform an estates plan for primary care to ensure there is sufficient infrastructure to deliver out of hospital services and enhanced GP services.

A team from the NW London Transformation unit have reviewed current premises capacity and condition identified agreed criteria to advise:

- whether a new primary care centre or ‘hub’ is necessary to deliver Harrow’s ambitious out of hospital programme and SaHF
- which area of Harrow should be prioritised for development
- which sites should be taken forward to the next stage

2. Evaluation Process

In stage one of the evaluation process, the Transformation Team reviewed the potential activity generated by the CCGs Out of Hospital Strategy and Shaping a Healthier Future and concluded that at least one additional primary care hub was needed.

Practices were asked to suggest possible sites for development and together with existing NHS and Local Authority properties these made up a long list of potential sites. The long list of properties was then assessed against the threshold and prioritisation criteria agreed by the NW London Collaboration Board including population density and deprivation; distance from existing hubs and scope for expansion.

A non-conflicted Estates Panel, chaired by Gerald Zeidman, Lay Member, Harrow CCG and including as non voting members representatives from Harrow Council and HealthWatch met on 18 February 2014 to review the evidence for an additional hub and decide which options to take forward.

The evidence demonstrated a need for additional out of hospital capacity in the east/north east of Harrow, and the Panel concluded that this should be Harrow’s priority area. Of the available options, those that scored most highly in the evaluation were:

- A redevelopment of the **Belmont Health Centre**
- A new development on the **Kenmore site** – land currently owned by the NHS

The Panel has therefore recommended that these sites should be taken forward to Outline Business Case (OBC) stage in an *“East/North East Harrow Primary Care and Out of Hospital Care Outline Business Case*.

The OBC will include further extensive data analysis and evaluation of value for money and recommend which of the two sites should be recommended for development.,

This decision was ratified at the CCGs Governing Body meeting on 25th March 2014

3. Communications Strategy

Patients and other stakeholders were consulted about the general principles behind the development of primary care infrastructure in the Shaping a Healthier Future consultation.

At this stage NHS Harrow has held the following meetings to inform local residents about the proposals and invite feedback;

Meeting with Councillors 24th March 2014

Two open public meetings on 31st March and 1st April 2014

Presentation to Local Voluntary Sector Organisations and Harrow Patient Participation Network - 9th April 2014

We are in the process of putting together a circular to key stakeholders (Pharmacists, Local Authority, Acute Trust, Dentists, Opticians etc.) , which will summarise the hub development rationale/context and what the next steps will be in terms of process. This is being developed by the NW London Strategy and Transformation Team.

Further public and stakeholder meetings will be held at the draft OBC stage

Section 3 – Further Information

The Project Initiation Document (attached) was agreed at the CCG Governing Body meeting on 25th March 2014 has been submitted in draft form to NHS England (NHSE) for an initial opinion. Informal feedback has been positive and the Transformation Team are now drafting the Outline Business Case for submission to NHSE in early May

Section 4 – Financial Implications

The financial implications of this scheme will be developed at the Outline Business Case stage but there is no guarantee of either capital or revenue funding.

Section 5 - Equalities implications

No formal assessment at this stage although a full evaluation of population density, deprivation and accessibility is included in the PID.

Section 6 – Corporate Priorities

Not applicable

Section 7 - Contact Details and Background Papers

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Background Papers: None