

HEALTH AND ADULT SOCIAL CARE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

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CARE QUALITY COMMISSION INSPECTION OF MATERNITY SERVICES – MEDWAY MARITIME HOSPITAL

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Summary

This report sets out the outcome of the unannounced inspection by the Care Quality Commission, which reviewed maternity services at Medway Maritime Hospital. The Chief Executive of Medway NHS Foundation Trust and the Chief Nurse from Medway Maritime Hospital will be present to introduce the report which was requested by the Committee.

1. Budget and Policy Framework

1.1 Under Chapter 4 – Rules, paragraph 22.2 (c) terms of reference for Health and Adult Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee has powers to review and scrutinise matters relating to the health service in the area including NHS Scrutiny.

2. Background

- 2.1. An unannounced inspection visit to Medway Maritime Hospital in Gillingham on 19 August 2013 took place conducted by the Care Quality Commission, which identified a number of areas where action was needed:
 - Respecting and involving people who use services
 - Care and welfare of people who use services
 - Management of medicines

and enforcement action required in three other areas:

- Staffing
- Supporting workers
- Assessing and monitoring the quality of service provision

- 2.2. The report on this inspection was made public last month. Following this a request was made by Councillors Murray and Wildey for the matter to be considered by this Committee.
- 2.3. Attached as appendix A to this report is the Care Quality Commission inspection report and appendix B is a copy of a powerpoint shared with staff at NHS Medway Foundation Trust.
- 2.4. The Chief Executive of NHS Medway Foundation Trust and the Chief Nurse from Medway Maritime Hospital will be present at the meeting to introduce the report and respond to Members' questions.
- 3. Legal and Financial Implications
- 3.1. There are no legal or financial implications for the Council.
- 4. Recommendations
- 4.1. Members are asked to consider and comment on the Care Quality Commission report on maternity services at Medway Maritime Hospital.

Background papers:

None.

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