

HEALTH AND ADULT SOCIAL CARE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

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ACUTE MENTAL HEALTH INPATIENT BED REVIEW UPDATE

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Summary

The attached report sets out the response from Kent and Medway NHS Social Care Partnership Trust and NHS Medway CCG in respect of the request at the last meeting for regular updates on the position with the acute mental health inpatient beds review.

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. It was agreed on 18 December 2013 that the position with regards to acute beds should be kept under permanent review with a report to each meeting of the Committee until further notice.
- 2.3. At the last meeting Members requested that the next update should include the following:
- Recent **daily** bed usage and availability across Kent and Medway (to clarify what **capacity** there is in the system, beds available etc) – it was made clear this should not be a snapshot.
 - Details of people from Kent and Medway placed outside area, details of where and costs to be included. To be split into those who are sent outside of area for specialist treatment and those who need to be out of area because of lack of beds
 - Details of any policy change in relation to assistance with transport

- Details of what happens now street triage pilot has ended
- 2.4. Attached, as appendix 1, to this report is the acute service redesign, which is the third update as requested. Although the report is headed younger adults this covers the age group 18-65 years. The attachment is split into two sections, the first is a response to the above questions, the second is the overall progress on the reconfiguration plans.
- 2.5. The Chief Executive of Kent and Medway NHS and Social Care Partnership Trust and the Chief Clinical Officer, NHS Medway CCG will be in attendance to respond to Members' questions.

3. Risk management

- 3.1. There are no specific risk implications for Medway Council arising directly from this report.

4. Legal and Financial Implications

- 4.1. There are no legal or financial implications for the Council.

5. Recommendations

- 5.1. Members are asked to consider and comment on the update.

Background papers:

None.

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