

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.
- 2.2. At the last ordinary meeting of the Committee the following was requested:
- (a) a further report should be brought to the next meeting to update the Committee on progress taking into account the comments made during the meeting which were as follows:
- It was agreed that data demonstrating the impact of the different workstreams and the benefits/outcomes being achieved and forecast from the reconfiguration on the need for acute beds should be shared with the Committee with an accompanying explanatory summary

- Clarification would be provided about the number of serious incidents relating to acute mental ill health across Kent and Medway rather than just those relating to 'A' block
 - Clarification would also be provided about the figure of £34,320 on page 44 to confirm this was the cost of young adults in Kent being placed out of area
 - It was agreed that contact would be made with Healthwatch Medway to explain how service users and carers views are taken into account in the reconfiguration plans and to update on how KMPT would be involved in the 'Sign up to Safety' campaign which had just been launched by NHS England
- (b) discussion should take place between the Senior Public Health Intelligence Manager and the Director of Transformation and Commercial Development about the most appropriate format for reporting data back to the Committee to ensure a consistent method for monitoring progress
- 2.3. Attached, as appendix 1, to this report is the highlight report, appendix 2 is the table of data requested which has been compiled by Kent and Medway NHS and Social Care Partnership Trust with assistance by the Senior Public Health Intelligence Manager in conjunction with Members of this Committee as set out in (b) above.

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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