

## Appendix 1

### Primary Care Commissioning Committee update for Health and Wellbeing Board February 2019

The role of the Committee is to carry out CCG commissioning functions transparently where a potential provider of services is a Member practice. These functions were delegated to the CCG by NHS England from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017 and cover:

- Locally Commissioned services (formerly “Local Enhanced Services”);
- Community based services where local practices are a potential provider of services
- Decisions in relation to the commissioning, procurement and management of Primary Medical Services Contracts, including but not limited to the following activities:
  - decisions in relation to Enhanced Services;
  - decisions in relation to Local Incentive Schemes (including the design of such schemes);
  - decisions in relation to the establishment of new GP practices (including branch surgeries) and closure of GP practices;
  - decisions about ‘discretionary’ payments;
  - decisions about commissioning urgent care (including home visits as required) for out of area registered patients;
- The approval of practice mergers;
- Planning primary medical care services in the Area, including carrying out needs assessments;
- Undertaking reviews of primary medical care services in the Area;
- Decisions in relation to the management of poorly performing GP practices and including, without limitation, decisions and liaison with the CQC where the CQC has reported non-compliance with standards (but excluding any decisions in relation to the performers list);
- Management of the Delegated Funds in the Area;
- Premises Costs Directions Functions;
- Co-ordinating a common approach to the commissioning of primary care services with other commissioners in the Area where appropriate; and
- Such other ancillary activities that are necessary in order to exercise the Delegated Functions.

The committee meets in public for discussions on general practice and subsequent decisions in order to ensure transparency.

Since Medway CCG took on delegated commission, the Committee has discussed, agreed or received assurance on a range of issues. To demonstrate the key areas of

decisions over the last year, the follow points were discussed and / or decided upon at the Primary Care Commissioning Committee:

- The procurement and award of an Alternative Primary Medical Services (APMS) contract to cover the following practices: Sunlight Surgery, ST Marys Island, Balmoral and Twydall and the Boot Pentagon Practice. The new contract goes live on the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019
- Commissioned an Improved Access Service to extend out of hours provision in Primary Care.
- Additional investment agreed for:
  - the development of a GP led Care Homes service
  - a long-term conditions pilot being run in partnership with Public Health
  - Primary Care Mental Health Pilot
  - An Innovation Fund for new ideas to be developed and tested in primary care
  - A locum employment software to increase locum capacity within the systems.
- The committee approved the Riverside Practice boundary change.
- The committee agreed the merger of The Parks and Highcliffe Medical Practice.
- The committee reviewed the CQC findings - 43 Medway practices have been inspected by CQC with ratings of good. Two practices have been rated inadequate and Medway CCG is working with these practices.