

HEALTH AND ADULT SOCIAL CARE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

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MEDWAY NHS FOUNDATION TRUST – COVID-19 UPDATE

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Summary

The report at Appendix 1 provides the Committee with an update on the latest position with regard to the Covid-19 pressures facing the Trust.

1. Budget and policy framework

1.1 Under the Local Authority (Public Health, Health and Wellbeing Boards and Health Scrutiny) Regulations 2013 the Council may review and scrutinise any matter relating to the planning, provision and operation of the health service in Medway. In carrying out health scrutiny a local authority must invite interested parties to comment and take account of any relevant information available to it, and in particular, relevant information provided to it by a local Healthwatch. The Council has delegated responsibility for discharging this function to this Committee and to the Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee as set out in the Council's Constitution.

2. Background

2.1 The attached report (Appendix 1) sets out the latest position with regard to the Covid-19 pressures facing the Trust, including information regarding the workforce, patient testing and the vaccination programme.

2.2 The Trust's Chief Executive will give a verbal update to the Committee at the meeting on 19 January.

3. Financial implications

3.1 There are no financial implications to Medway Council arising directly from the report.

4. Legal implications

4.1 There are no legal implications to Medway Council arising directly from the report.

5. Recommendation

5.1 The Committee is invited to note the report attached at Appendix 1.

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Appendices

Appendix 1 - Medway NHS Foundation Trust – Covid-19 Update

Background papers

None