

Health Scrutiny Committee

Meeting to be held on Tuesday, 23 January 2018

Electoral Division affected:
(All Divisions);

Delayed Transfers of Care (Annex 'A' refers)

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Executive Summary

Report regarding the number of delayed days that are attributable to social care in respect of interaction between the County Council and Lancashire Teaching Hospitals Trust.

Recommendation

The Health Scrutiny Committee is asked to formulate recommendations in relation to the reasons and actions as set out in the report at annex 'A'.

Background and Advice

The Health Scrutiny Steering Group at its meeting on 15 November 2017, received a general service update including matters relating to delayed transfers of care (DTC) from Tony Pounder, Director of Adult Social Care. At that meeting data regarding the number of delayed days that were attributable to social care in respect of all Acute Trusts in Lancashire was provided.

In considering the data the Steering Group was keen to identify why the figures in relation to the number of delayed days between Lancashire Teaching Hospitals Foundation Trust and the County Council had reached a substantial level. It was agreed that in preparation for the Health Scrutiny Committee meeting scheduled for 23 January 2018, that briefing notes be requested from both parties setting out the key reasons for delayed days that were attributable to social care in respect of interaction between the County Council and Trust and what needed to happen in order to reduce the number of delays. The briefing note is set out at annex 'A'.

It should be noted that the County Council currently has an open tender opportunity for the provision of consultancy services on DTC. The tender is for a single provider framework agreement whereby the successful tenderer will be asked to conduct an assessment(s) of the causes of Delayed Transfers of Care and create a design(s) for improvements across one or more of the three areas of the Lancashire

and South Cumbria STP footprint. Options for the delivery of the implementation plan will be included as part of this work, however the implementation phase is outside of the scope of the current tender. The final scope/detail will inform a more detailed specification for each individual assessment and design and will be provided as a call-off order under the framework agreement." The tender process closes on 9 February 2018, with a contract start date of 1 April 2018 for two years (contract end date 31 March 2020).

The Committee is requested to formulate recommendations in relation to the reasons and actions as set out in the report at annex 'A'.

Consultations

N/A

Implications:

This item has the following implications, as indicated:

Risk management

This report has no significant risk implications.

Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 List of Background Papers

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Reason for inclusion in Part II, if appropriate

N/A