

Meeting of the Full Council – 21 July 2016

Report on the Health Scrutiny Committee meetings on 24 May and 14 June 2016

Chair: County Councillor Steven Holgate

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24 May 2016

Recruitment Issues - Lancashire Teaching Hospitals Trust

At the Health Scrutiny Committee meeting on the 26 April 2016 held to discuss the temporary closure of the Emergency Department at Chorley Hospital, it had been agreed that further scrutiny of the key issues should take place and in particular that the challenges around recruitment would be discussed in further detail.

Information was presented to the Committee from:

- Health Education North West
- MP for Chorley
- Medacs Healthcare
- NHS Improvement

The Committee resolved that:

- i. The contributions of the presenters be noted.
- ii. Data on the impact to the neighbouring A&E departments be requested.
- iii. An update from North West Ambulance Service on the impact to their services and the role of the additional ambulance support from the private providers be sought.
- iv. Members from the Clinical Commissioning Group be invited to attend the next meeting of the Health Scrutiny Committee.
- v. The Chair to obtain the evidence referred to in the presentation from Lindsay Hoyle MP.

14 June 2016

Lancashire Teaching Hospitals Trust - temporary closure of Chorley A&E

Further to the meetings held on the 26 April and 24 May 2016, this third meeting focussed on the long term sustainability of health services within the county and discussed how the Clinical Commissioning Group and partners would design, consult and deliver new models of care.

Information was presented to the Committee from:

- Protect Chorley Hospital against cuts and privatisation campaign
- Healthier Lancashire and South Cumbria Change Programme
- Chorley, South Ribble and Greater Preston Clinical Commissioning Group

The Committee resolved that:

- i. Information presented to the Committee be noted.
- ii. The Chorley, South Ribble and Greater Preston Clinical Commissioning Group provide further updates to this Committee on the process of change in relation to 'Our Health, Our Care'.
- iii. Healthier Lancashire provide an update report on the Case for Change to the 26 July 2016 meeting of this Committee.
- iv. The Health Scrutiny Steering Group produce a draft report on the findings from the information received at the last three Health Scrutiny Committee meetings with recommendations to be ratified at the 26 July 2016 meeting of this Committee.
- v. That the Chair of the Committee be requested to write to neighbouring Trusts to ascertain the number of people with 'PR' postcodes now attending their A&E departments compared to the same period last year.