

WIRRAL COUNCIL

HEALTH AND WELLBEING OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

8 NOVEMBER 2011

SUBJECT:	CHESHIRE AND MERSEYSIDE VASCULAR SERVICES REVIEW
WARD/S AFFECTED:	ALL
REPORT OF:	CHIEF EXECUTIVE, NHS CHESHIRE WARRINGTON WIRRAL (PRIMARY CARE TRUST CLUSTER)
KEY DECISION	NO

1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.1 The purpose of this report is to update members on the progress of the Vascular Services Review in Cheshire and Merseyside.

2.0 BACKGROUND AND KEY ISSUES

2.1 The review was launched in the Summer of 2010. Updates were provided to the Committee on 22nd March and 20th June this year. The review has not reached its conclusions and has presented its report to commissioners. This will be considered by the Cheshire, Warrington & Wirral, and Merseyside Primary Care Trust Cluster Boards in November. The full Board paper for the Cheshire, Warrington & Wirral Cluster Board meeting is attached at Annex A. The meeting will be held on 2nd November 2011. The Chief Executive will update the Committee on the outcome of the meeting.

2.2 In summary the report recommends that the Cluster Boards:

- Accept the recommendations of the Review Project Board (paragraphs 5 and Annex A);
- Note the Impact Assessment report conclusions (paragraphs 6 & 7 and Annex B) and accept the recommendation for a review of interventional radiology;
- Endorse the recommendation of relevant Clinical Commissioning Group Chairs that the South Mersey arterial centre should be based at the Countess of Chester Hospital NHS Foundation Trust, networked with Wirral, Warrington and Whiston;
- Approve the consultation proposal with results to be reported at March Cluster Boards (paragraphs 9 & 10 and Annex C);
- Agree the proposed arrangements for implementation planning (paragraphs 11 – 13).

3.0 RELEVANT RISKS

- 3.1 The proposals are designed to improve outcomes for all patients across Cheshire and Merseyside.

4.0 CONSULTATION

- 4.1 Members will wish to note that the review team undertook extensive public consultation in respect of the review. This is described in paragraph 4 and on pages 7 and 8 of the report to commissioners at Annex A. It is now proposed that to complete that process, a formal public consultation document should be issued. A draft plan is at Annex C to the paper. The proposal is that the consultation should begin after both Cluster Boards have considered this paper. The results would be reported back to the March meetings of the Cluster Boards.
- 4.2 Given the extensive pre-consultation which has taken place, it is proposed that implementation planning should take place during the consultation phase with a view to being ready for implementation from 1st April 2012, subject to the outcome of the consultation.

5.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR VOLUNTARY, COMMUNITY AND FAITH GROUPS

N/A

7.0 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: FINANCIAL; IT; STAFFING; AND ASSETS

- 7.1 No implications for the Council

8.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

N/A

9.0 EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

- 9.1 Has the potential impact of your proposal(s) been reviewed with regard to equality?
- (a) Yes, and impact review is attached at Annex D.

10.0 CARBON REDUCTION IMPLICATIONS

N/A

11.0 PLANNING AND COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

N/A

12.0 RECOMMENDATION/S

12.1 The Committee is recommended to discuss and note the proposals and to identify any further information they would wish to receive as part of the consultation.

13.0 REASON/S FOR RECOMMENDATION/S

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APPENDICES

- *Report to NHS Cheshire, Warrington and Wirral Cluster Board (2nd November 2011) (entitled 48a attached);*
- *Cheshire and Merseyside Vascular Services Review – Report to Commissioners – (entitled 48b attached);*
- *Vascular Services Review – Mid Mersey Impact Assessment, October 2011 – (entitled 48c – attached);*
- *Cheshire and Merseyside Vascular Services Review – Outline Consultation Plan, October 2011 (entitled 48d – attached);*
- *Equality Impact Assessment (entitled 48e – attached).*

REFERENCE MATERIAL

SUBJECT HISTORY (last 3 years)

Council Meeting	Date

Equality Duty Briefing

Context

The Equality Duty 2010 places general and specific duties on public organisations:

1. General Duties (legal requirement)

- (1.1) To eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation
- (1.2) To advance equality of opportunity
- (1.3) To foster good relations between different groups of people

2. Specific Duty (legal requirement)

(2.1) Publish sufficient information to demonstrate compliance with general duties **by 30 July 2011**, including:

- (2.1.1) Information on the effect that policy / funding decisions will have / have had on protected groups (race, gender, disability, gender reassignment, age, pregnancy and maternity, religion and belief, sexual orientation, marriage and civil partnership).
- (2.1.2) Evidence of analysis undertaken.
- (2.1.3) Evidence of information used in analysis.
- (2.1.4) Details of any engagement undertaken (internal and external)

Implications for Report Authors

To ensure compliance with the legal requirements of the Equality Act 2010, Report Authors must give due consideration to protected groups when making policy and / or funding decisions which will affect services, the workforce or communities. Such consideration must be documented (for example, within minutes, reports, equality impact assessments).

Therefore, please find a template overleaf for Report Authors to use as a prompt when assessing impact.

Assessing Impact of Policy and Funding Decisions

1. What is being proposed?

2. Is the proposal part of the Corporate Plan? If so, which objective?

3. Has a criteria been drawn up for making a decision? If so, what are the criteria?

4. Have you consulted or taken advice from anyone (internal or external) to inform your decision? If so please state who.

5. What information, data or research have you used to inform your decision?

6. Will the proposal have a favourable or negative impact on any of the protected groups (race, gender, disability, gender reassignment, age, pregnancy and maternity, religion and belief, sexual orientation, marriage and civil partnership)?

7. What is your decision?

8. Please document the details of this impact assessment in a memo, set of minutes, in a report, or equality impact assessment and send a copy to Kevin Adderley, who will store the information confidentially and organise the relevant details for publishing on the internet in conjunction with the Corporate Equality Manager.