

Report of the Strategic Director of Resources

Review of Derby Open Access Centre

SUMMARY

1.2 The Southern Derbyshire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) will be conducting a review of the GP led Derby Open Access Centre (DOAC) based on St Thomas Road and the nurse led Walk in Centre based at the former DRI site. Both centres provide medical assistance to patients who may turn up without an appointment. Since contracts for both centres will be expiring at the end of March 2014, the SDCCG wishes to conduct a review of its commissioning programme before making any decisions about their future. The Chief Operating Officer will address the Board and provide information about their public engagement process.

RECOMMENDATION

2.1 To consider and comment on the presentation.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

3.1 This items falls within the responsibility of the Adults and Public Health Scrutiny Board.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

4.1 As of 1st April, Southern Derbyshire CCG has become responsible for assessing, planning and paying for the local health services in Derby and Southern Derbyshire. The SDCCG Board which includes GPs, nurses, hospital doctors, other healthcare professionals, and patient representatives has received approval from NHS Commissioning Board Authority and is now responsible for making decisions about healthcare in its area.

- 4.2 The former PCT cluster consulted the public and relevant partners between January and 31 March 2011 on its review of direct access services which included the two walk in centres and the out of hours GP services. The Adults, Health and Housing Commission which at that time was responsible for health scrutiny, conducted its own independent review of the two centres. The Commission found that the two centres between them had seen in excess of 70,000 patients in the previous twelve months and were meeting an important local need. However, the commission felt DOAC was providing immediate access to GP services to people who wished to see a medical specialist when they needed/wanted to see a doctor. It also provided access to those people who would not normally visit GP through its drop in and outreach services. The Commission recommended that if the PCT was to retain only one centre, then it should be a GP led Open Access centre.
- 4.3 The PCT Cluster Board considered responses to its consultation exercise at 25 May 2011 meeting and agreed to keep both centres open. It also recommended that the underlying issue of access to GP advice and consultation in some central parts of Derby is in need of further more in-depth review, to ensure that the changes to healthcare provision in Derby will not have any material adverse consequences to primary care access.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

5.1 None

This report has been approved by the following officers:

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Background papers:	None
List of appendices:	Appendix 1 – Implications

IMPLICATIONS

Financial and Value for Money

1.1 None arising from this report

Legal

2.1 Local Authority (Public Health, Health and Wellbeing Boards and Health Scrutiny) Regulations 2013 came into effect on 1 April 2013 and provide the Board with the powers to review any matter relating to the planning, provision and operation of health services.

Personnel

3.1 None arising from this report.

Equalities Impact

4.1 None arising from this report.

Health and Safety

5.1 None arising from this report.

Environmental Sustainability

6.1 None arising from this report

Property and Asset Management

7.1 None arising from this report.

Risk Management

8.1 None arising from this report.

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

9.1 Our aim is to work together so that Derby and it's people enjoy good health and well-being and an active cultural life.