

## **Primary Care**

### **Briefing Paper for Derby Overview and Scrutiny Committee 21 June 2010**

The PCT's role is to commission services that will benefit the health of the people of Derby City. The PCT has a responsibility to ensure that all patients have access to quality primary care services. As primary care services develop and evolve there can be occasions where a current provider's premises are no longer suitable for service delivery and new premises location has to be considered.

Practices wishing to undertake such relocation have to produce a business case as financial support is not automatic. The PCT has to consider all such cases based on need and available resources. The PCT has established a process that includes a prioritisation score for all practice premises. During the process the practices and PCT jointly ensure that patients and the public are informed and involved in the decision process. Internally where the relocation is to an alternative site within 1 to 1.5 miles and suitable to serve the majority of the registered population informal involvement is undertaken. Where relocation is considered to be outside this general parameter a more formal consultation would be required.

### **Developments to date in 2010/2011**

#### **Normanton/Peartree**

This has been a high priority for many years with the aim of developing a major health facility that would have offered the opportunity for collocation of many services. However due to the lack of suitable sites the PCT is now considering alternative options for the medical practices that were originally identified as possible occupiers of the large scheme.

Derby Lane Surgery currently located at 30 Derby Lane has been successful in identifying an alternative location (1 Hastings Street) that when converted will be suitable for the delivery of medical services. The practice and PCT are now in the process of informing the patients of this minor relocation. It is hoped that the alterations will be completed by the Autumn of 2010.

Further alternatives may be considered for other practices in the Normanton/Peartree locality.

#### **Melbourne Medical Health Care Centre**

This is a two site practice. The main site being Melbourne Health Centre and the branch site currently being High Trees Medical Centre, 2 Manor Road Chellaston. This practice has been seeking an alternative site for their branch surgery for a significant period. The practice and PCT were unable to locate a central village location for the development of premises suitable for both current and future needs of the population. Approval has been granted for the relocation of this branch

surgery to a site identified Rowallan Way, Chellaston, Derby DE73 (final post code still to be determined). The practice on behalf of the PCT has carried out several significant information/involvement projects in regard to this possible location. In approving this proposal both the practice and PCT have acknowledged some areas that will require support and mitigation. However on balance failure to move forward with this development would severely limit the future delivery of medical services to meet the needs of this population. The developer will commence the development in the summer of 2010 with completion planned in 12-15 months.