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**SOUTH WEST LONDON & SURREY JHSC SUB-COMMITTEE - IMPROVING
HEALTHCARE TOGETHER 2020-2030**

21 October 2020 at 7.30 pm

MEMBERS: Councillor Colin Stears (Chair), Councillor Bill Chapman (Vice-Chair)
and Councillors Sean Fitzsimons, Anita Schaper, Peter McCabe and
Adrian Flook

12. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

The Chair, Councillor Colin Stears, welcomed those present..

13. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence..

14. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

15. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Members of the Sub Committee updated the position of their Council regarding referral to the Secretary of State:

Croydon Council - Endorsed the referral made by Merton Council to the Secretary of State
Kingston Council - Retained the right to make a referral to the Secretary of State
Surrey County Council - No referral would be made to the Secretary of State
Merton Council - A referral had been made to the Secretary of State
Sutton Council - Retained the right to refer the matter to the Secretary of State

RESOLVED: that

1. the minutes of the meeting held on 4 June 2020 be agreed as an accurate record.

16. UPDATE FROM THE TRUST AND COMMISSIONERS ON NEXT STEPS

Daniel Elkeles, Chief Executive, Epsom and St Helier Trust, Dr James Marsh, and Andrew Demetriades, Programme Director, Improving Healthcare Together 2020 to 2030 provided the presentation.

Members discussed the governance structure of the programme is complex, with interdependencies between the work streams and that this resulted in ambitious timelines. Sutton and Merton councils had requested that consideration be included within the programme's plans that primary care services are located on the St Helier site, however,

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this had not yet been confirmed. Members drew attention to the fact that involvement and engagement with the Community and stakeholders was required and should start as soon as possible. Members suggested that engagement should be seen by communities to be open and honest as this would support building trust within communities. Members expressed concern there was a very short timeline for the development of the Outline Business Case (OBC), and that residents had not been able to become involved. Members were informed that delays to the programme would create additional costs of approximately £5m for every six months of delay. The programme was progressing, current timelines were being met, it was expected the programme would continue to meet the timelines outlined.

Members drew attention to the need for oversight and visibility of progress against the 24 recommendations set out in the Decision Making Business Case (DMBC). The IHT team confirmed progress against the recommendations was reviewed regularly.

Daniel Elkeles, Chief Executive, Epsom and St Helier Trust explained that as Merton Council had exercised the right to refer to the Independent Reconfiguration Panel (IRP) engagement could not be carried out while the outcome of the referral remained unknown. Recommendations from the IRP would be incorporated into the programme as required. It was discussed that service changes would not conclude until 2025, there would be listening and adapting of the plans throughout the programme.

Members were informed that the Mayor of London's office was considering issues related to deprivation and would meet Sutton and Merton's Directors of Public Health. Members asked about the mechanism to allow input from Surrey. It was agreed this would be followed up outside of this meeting. Members requested that this sub committee had as early sight as possible of the Mott McDonald report on the assessment of impact on deprived communities. The Programme Director, Improving Healthcare Together 2020 to 2030 informed Members the report would be completed in early December 2020.

It was explained that the arrangements for involvement of elected representatives had included the IHT team regularly attending this sub committee, the Joint Health Scrutiny Committee and a range of meetings at each of the represented councils.

It was outlined that money had been allocated for use at St George's hospital due to the expected displacement of patients from some areas of Merton if the programme was completed at the Sutton site. The funding allocated would be used to increase capacity within the A and E, maternity services and for provision of additional beds for admissions.

In discussion members asked about transport to the site from Surrey and the groups being worked with to ensure the best available options are considered. The Programme team asked that if Members had suggestions of groups to be approached relating to transport from Surrey this was further discussed with the team. Members drew attention to issues of transport from areas of Sutton and Merton, and changes to bus routing in the area.

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Members suggested the programme should be used as an opportunity to develop state of the art facilities, areas for such developments could be primary care, early intervention and prevention and obesity.

RESOLVED: that

- 1. the report be noted

17. ANY URGENT BUSINESS

There was no urgent business.

The meeting ended at 9.03 pm

Chair:

Date:

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