

**AREA BOARD:** NORTH LUTON

**DATE:** THURSDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2016

**SUBJECT:** LUTON CLINICAL COMMISSIONING GROUP  
UPDATES ON ACTIVITIES (SEPTEMBER ONWARDS –  
2016)

**REPORT BY:** LUTON CLINICAL COMMISSIONING GROUP

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**IMPLICATIONS:**

**WARDS AFFECTED:** BRAMINGHAM, ICKNEILD, LIMBURY,  
NORTHWELL, SUNDON PARK

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## **PURPOSE**

1. To provide the Board an update on health system developments and Luton CCG's activities.

## **RECOMMENDATION (S)**

2. That the North Luton Area Board note and make comments on the briefing as appropriate.

## **BACKGROUND**

3. This briefing is s standing agenda item for all Luton Area Boards.

## **REPORT**

### **Alternative Provider Medical Services (APMS) GP Contracts**

4. The APMS practice contracts for Moakes Medical Centre, Whipperley Medical Centre and Sundon Park Health Centre expire on 31 January 2017. The Town Centre GP practice and Walk in Centre contract expires on 31 March 2017. A comprehensive review was undertaken and based on the review findings Luton Clinical Commissioning Group (LCCG) and NHS England will not be seeking new providers to run Moakes Medical Centre or Whipperley Medical Centre after the contract ends.

5. Surrounding practices are now being supported to accommodate additional patients' needs and their future plans reviewed to ensure that comprehensive services will continue to be available for patients once these contracts expire.
6. Patients of the affected practices are being supported to transfer to other practices in the local area.
7. Providers will be invited to bid to run the services at Sundon Park Health Centre and Town Centre GP Surgery:
  - The Sundon Park site will be expanded to meet the additional services required in the Sundon Park and surrounding areas due to the development of new homes and an increasing population.
  - The Walk in Centre service (currently provided as part of the Town Centre contract) will be remodelled as an Urgent Primary Care Centre (UPCC). If a patient requires same day urgent care when it is not possible to receive an appointment at their own practice, then they may access the UPCC by calling 111. The 111 team will conduct a clinical assessment and if appropriate the patient will be given an appointment at the centre.
8. All patients in Luton will receive clear communications about how to access the new improved primary care services. This information will be provided on a variety of platforms (CCG, practice and stakeholder websites, community events, etc.)

### **Sustainability and Transformation Plan - Bedfordshire, Luton and Milton Keynes**

9. Supporting NHS England's triple aim - improved health and wellbeing, transformed quality of care delivery, and sustainable finances.
10. Bedfordshire, Luton and Milton Keynes (BLMK) health and care communities have come together to formulate a Sustainability and Transformation Plan (STP), as part of a national drive to improve health and well-being, care quality, and affordability across the NHS.
11. The BLMK STP is one of 44 health and care 'footprints' in England, bringing organisations together to develop plans to support the delivery of the NHS Five Year Forward View.
12. The plans will show how local services will evolve, develop and become clinically and financially sustainable over the next five years (to 2020/21).
13. Sixteen different organisations are formally part of the BLMK STP planning footprint. This includes all four councils who, like NHS organisations, play a vital role in the health and well-being of local people.
14. The BLMK STP is led by Pauline Philip, chief executive of Luton and Dunstable University Hospital NHS Foundation Trust and national lead for urgent and emergency care.

15. All 44 STPs were required to submit a draft plan on 30 June 2016. These draft plans explore ideas and possibilities for transformational change to support improved health and well-being, service quality and affordability.
16. One of the five priorities of STP is the work stream referred to as priority 2; 'high quality, scaled and resilient Primary, Community and Social Care Services'.
17. The integrated community and social model developed in Luton has received interest from within our STP and will be supported to implement in all 3 areas. This approach will see a move from the current system to a much more pro-active population health management that puts the needs of the individual central to the purpose of the system.
18. Simon Stevens gave his support to these initial plans which set out the STP's priorities in delivering the triple aim, and BLMK has been invited to submit more detailed plans during October.

### **Financial Sustainability Plans**

19. The CCG is aiming to make a £3m surplus this financial year and reduce its accumulated deficit to £21m. At Month 5 (August), it was £4m behind plan, primarily due to an over-spending on the Acute hospital contracts of £3.6m (mainly the Luton & Dunstable Hospital), driven by increased levels of patient activity, above contracted levels, for both elective and emergency activity. The CCG is working with the L&D to reduce the level of over-performance to contract levels going forward and with GP practices to understand better wide variations in the rate of referrals from different practices in Luton. The CCG is planning to use non-recurrent underspends this year to mitigate the overspending on Acute.

### **Annual report**

20. Luton CCG published its annual report for 2015/16 on 10<sup>th</sup> June 2016 detailing its performance against key objectives and financial plan – these findings were reviewed and discussed at our Annual General Meeting which was held on 6<sup>th</sup> September 2016. Presentations from the event and a copy of the Annual review can be found on our website: [www.lutonccg.nhs.uk](http://www.lutonccg.nhs.uk) under 'About Us/ Annual General Meeting 2016'

### **Winter Communications Plans**

21. As Winter Plans take effect on 1<sup>st</sup> October, our Communications team are working closely with the Commissioning teams to ensure that the right messages are communicated to our general public and patients concerning use of services over the winter period. Advice on self-care, reminders to order repeat prescriptions before public holidays and staying warm to stay well are all key messages for this time of year.
22. Our Meds Optimisation team are also working hard to support us to promote the risks of antibiotic resistance. The CCG will be raising awareness of the Antibiotic Guardian initiative ([antibioticguardian.com](http://antibioticguardian.com)) whereby members of the public and healthcare professionals alike are invited to sign a pledge to make

better use of antibiotics and help save these vital medicines from becoming obsolete.

### **Executive team changes**

23. We are pleased to announce that John Webster will be returning to work at the CCG from Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October. Alison Ryan has been covering the Director of Operations portfolio during John's sick leave, and will continue to support John in the short term on his return to work.
24. Alison is currently on secondment to the CCG from Hertfordshire Partnership Foundation Trust.