

# Agenda

## Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee

**Tuesday, 12 December 2017, 10.00 am**  
**County Hall, Worcester**

All County Councillors are invited to attend and participate

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# DISCLOSING INTERESTS

There are now 2 types of interests:  
**'Disclosable pecuniary interests'** and **'other disclosable interests'**

## WHAT IS A 'DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST' (DPI)?

- Any **employment**, office, trade or vocation carried on for profit or gain
- **Sponsorship** by a 3<sup>rd</sup> party of your member or election expenses
- Any **contract** for goods, services or works between the Council and you, a firm where you are a partner/director, or company in which you hold shares
- Interests in **land** in Worcestershire (including licence to occupy for a month or longer)
- **Shares** etc (with either a total nominal value above £25,000 or 1% of the total issued share capital) in companies with a place of business or land in Worcestershire.

**NB Your DPIs include the interests of your spouse/partner as well as you**

## WHAT MUST I DO WITH A DPI?

- **Register** it within 28 days and
- **Declare** it where you have a DPI in a matter at a particular meeting
  - you must **not participate** and you **must withdraw**.

**NB It is a criminal offence to participate in matters in which you have a DPI**

## WHAT ABOUT 'OTHER DISCLOSABLE INTERESTS'?

- No need to register them but
- You must **declare** them at a particular meeting where:  
You/your family/person or body with whom you are associated have a **pecuniary interest** in or **close connection** with the matter under discussion.

## WHAT ABOUT MEMBERSHIP OF ANOTHER AUTHORITY OR PUBLIC BODY?

You will not normally even need to declare this as an interest. The only exception is where the conflict of interest is so significant it is seen as likely to prejudice your judgement of the public interest.

## DO I HAVE TO WITHDRAW IF I HAVE A DISCLOSABLE INTEREST WHICH ISN'T A DPI?

Not normally. You must withdraw only if it:

- affects your **pecuniary interests OR** relates to a **planning or regulatory** matter
- **AND** it is seen as likely to **prejudice your judgement** of the public interest.

## DON'T FORGET

- If you have a disclosable interest at a meeting you must **disclose both its existence and nature** – 'as noted/recorded' is insufficient
- **Declarations must relate to specific business** on the agenda
  - General scattergun declarations are not needed and achieve little
- Breaches of most of the **DPI provisions** are now **criminal offences** which may be referred to the police which can on conviction by a court lead to fines up to £5,000 and disqualification up to 5 years
- Formal **dispensation** in respect of interests can be sought in appropriate cases.

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**Membership**

**Worcestershire County Council** Mr P A Tuthill (Chairman), Ms P Agar, Mr G R Brookes, Mr P Grove, Prof J W Raine, Mrs M A Rayner, Mr C Rogers, Mr A Stafford and Mr R P Tomlinson

**District Councils**

Mr T Baker, Malvern Hills District Council  
Mrs A Hingley, Wyre Forest District Council  
Mr C Hotham, Bromsgrove District Council  
Mr M Johnson, Worcester City Council  
Mrs F Smith, Wychavon District Council  
Mrs N Wood-Ford, Redditch Borough Council

**Agenda**

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## **HEALTH OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE 12 DECEMBER 2017**

### **HEREFORDSHIRE AND WORCESTERSHIRE SUSTAINABILITY AND TRANSFORMATION PARTNERSHIP - UPDATE**

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#### **Summary**

1. The Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (HOSC) is to receive an update on the Herefordshire and Worcestershire Sustainability and Transformation Plan (STP) following its publication on 5 July 2017. It is available at [www.yourconversationhw.nhs.uk](http://www.yourconversationhw.nhs.uk)
2. Lead Officers involved in the development of the STP have been invited to the Meeting.

#### **Background**

3. The STP builds upon local transformation work already in progress through the Future of Acute Hospital Services in Worcestershire, Well Connected and other local transformation schemes. The purpose of the STP is to develop the opportunities for local bodies to work on a more sustainable planning footprint in order to address the Triple Aim Gaps:
  - **Health and Well Being** - The main focus of this work is on achieving a radical upgrade in illness prevention to reduce the long term burden of ill health – both from a quality of life perspective for individuals and a financial perspective for the health and care system.
  - **Care and Quality** - The main focus of this work is on securing changes to enable our local provider trust to exit from the CQC special measures regime and to reduce avoidable mortality across the system through more effective health interventions in areas such as cancer, stroke, dementia, mental health and improved maternity services.
  - **Finance and Efficiency** - The main focus of this work is on reducing unwarranted variation in the demand and use of services and securing provider efficiencies through implementing new approaches to care provision.
4. Progress with the STP has been overseen by the Health and Well-being Board and the STP is currently undertaking a refresh of the financial model to understand the current position financial gap to 2020/21. This will enable a review of the transformation programmes that underpin the delivery of the STP Plan.

## **Scrutiny to Date**

5. At its meeting on 16 November 2016, HOSC received a report which outlined the background and purpose of STPs nationally and to inform Members of the process and emerging themes locally. In addition there was the opportunity to comment on proposed engagement plans for Spring 2017 and Members went on to suggest groups to be consulted with and possible alternative venues, which were subsequently actioned.

## **Developing Accountable Care across Herefordshire and Worcestershire**

6. An Accountable Care System (ACS) is a place-based system which will take collective responsibility for managing performance, resources and the totality of health. This opens up possibilities for easier and more effective integrated working with local authorities, in particular with regard to public health and social care services. Local Authority statutory duties remain unchanged within an ACS, but there are new opportunities to improve delivery of the statutory duty of collaboration. Once an ACS is approved they will receive greater freedoms and flexibilities from NHS England and NHS Improvement.

7. The STP held a workshop for the STP Partners in November 2017, to review the approach to delivering Accountable Care in Herefordshire and Worcestershire.

## **Legal, Financial and HR Implications**

8. There are no specific legal, financial or HR implications associated with this paper, but there will be significant implications associated with the development of plans for each programme transformation area within the STP and their subsequent implementation. As these plans are developed, if required to do so, they will be reported to HOSC in a timely manner.

## **Equality and Diversity Implications**

9. There are no specific issues to highlight at this stage.

## **Purpose of the Meeting**

10. Members are invited to consider and comment on progress of the Herefordshire and Worcestershire STP – and may wish to consider the following points:

- What will be done differently?
- What is likely to change for patients and access to services?
- What are the main challenges for Herefordshire and Worcestershire?
- How will stakeholders, including HOSC be involved and consulted as plans are formed? – and how will plans be held to account?
- How can HOSC support the implementation of the STP?

## **Contact Points**

### County Council Contact Points

County Council: 01905 763763

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### Specific Contact Points for this Report

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### **Supporting Information**

A full copy of the plan and summary plan can be accessed through  
[www.yourconversationhw.nhs.uk](http://www.yourconversationhw.nhs.uk).

### **Background Papers**

In the opinion of the Proper Officer (in this case the Head of Legal and Democratic Services) the following are the background papers relating to the subject matter of this report:

- Agenda and Minutes of the Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 16 November 2016 – available on the County Council's website [here](#)
- Agendas and Minutes of the Health and Well-being Board are available [here](#)

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## **HEALTH OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

### **12 DECEMBER 2017**

## **CAPITAL EXPENDITURE PLANS FOR WORCESTERSHIRE**

### **ROYAL HOSPITAL**

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#### **Summary**

1. The Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (HOSC) is to receive an update on Worcestershire Acute Hospital NHS Trust's (the Trust) capital expenditure plans.
2. A representative from the Trust's Board has been invited to the Meeting.

#### **Background**

3. HOSC Members will be aware that the outcome of the lengthy review of Acute Hospital Services in Worcestershire, finalised in July 2017, meant that the Trust was able to submit a bid for £29.6million of capital funding from the Department of Health. The funding would enable the works involved, which it was planned to have completed by May 2020.
4. The clinical model recommended from the Review was to enable continued delivery of services in Worcestershire and respond to national changes in the training of doctors and increasing staff shortages.
5. At its 17 October 2017 discussion with the Trust, the HOSC was pleased to learn that £29.6m capital had been allocated, however it was understood that the funding would only be secured subject to a further business case.
6. Separate to these works, HOSC Members were also advised that part of the Trust's winter plan included an additional ward on the Worcester site, which would be an Ambulatory Emergency Care (AEC) Unit.
7. The new AEC Unit saw its first patients on 20 November 2017. The Unit, which adjoins the current A&E department, allows appropriate patients to be seen and treated more quickly, as well as helping to free-up space in the main A&E department.
8. The money for the AEC Unit is separate to the £29.6m and resulted from a bid from national funding to support Emergency Department streaming to primary care and other co-located front door services.
9. Further information on the new AEC Unit, progress accessing the £29.6m Department of Health Funding, and plans for its use will be provided at the meeting.

#### **Legal, Financial and HR Implications**

10. There are no specific implications associated with this paper.

## **Equality and Diversity Implications**

11. There are no specific issues to highlight at this stage.

## **Purpose of the Meeting**

12. Members are invited to consider and comment on progress of the Trust's £29.6m expenditure plans.

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**HEALTH OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**  
**12 DECEMBER 2017****HEALTH OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE ROUND-UP**

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**Summary**

1. To receive a round-up of information on:
  - County Council activities in relation to health
  - District Council activities in relation to health
  - NHS Board meetings
  - Consultations in Worcestershire
  - Urgent health issues in Worcestershire; and
  - Items for future meetings of the Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee

**Background**

2. In order to ensure that Members of the Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (HOSC) are fully informed about issues relating to health scrutiny in Worcestershire, communication will be essential. To assist in this, an item will be placed on the agenda for each meeting of the HOSC to consider consultations, County Council activities, District Council activities, urgent health issues arising in Worcestershire and future agenda items. Regard for the Council's statutory requirements in relation to access to information will be critical.

**County Council Activities in Relation to Health**

3. A range of County Council services can impact upon and also be impacted upon by health services. Recognising that the health-related work of the County Council will be of interest to the District Councillors on the Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee, an oral update on such activities, and on other matters the Chairman has been involved in, will be provided at each meeting by the Committee Chairman at each meeting of the HOSC.

**District Council Activities in Relation to Health**

4. The statutory power of health scrutiny, including the power to require an officer of a local NHS body to attend before the Council, rests with the County Council. However, it is recognised that a number of District Councils within Worcestershire are undertaking work in relation to local health issues, under their duty to promote the economic, social or environmental well-being of their area.
5. Recognising that the work of the District Councils will be of value and interest to the wider HOSC, an oral update will be provided on such activities by District Councillors at each meeting of the HOSC.

## **NHS Board Meetings**

6. To help HOSC Members to keep up to date and maintain their knowledge of health issues around the County, it was agreed that a 'Lead Member/s' would be identified for each of the local NHS bodies to attend their Board Meetings and then provide an oral update at each meeting of the Scrutiny Committee.

## **Consultations in Worcestershire**

7. The HOSC has a duty to respond to local Health Trusts' consultations on any proposed substantial changes to local health services. An oral update will be provided at each meeting of the HOSC on both developments relating to consultations previously undertaken and forthcoming consultations.

## **Urgent Health Issues in Worcestershire**

8. Worcestershire County Council's constitution makes provision for urgent items to be considered. Standing Order 12.2 specifies that the Chairman of the HOSC "may bring before the meeting and cause to be considered an item of business not specified in the summons or agenda where the Chairman is of the opinion, by reason of special circumstances (which shall be specified in the minutes) that the item should be considered at the meeting as a matter of urgency".

9. Additionally, Standing Order 9.4.2 allows for the Chairman of the HOSC at any time to call a special meeting of the Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee. Standing Order 9.4.3 allows for at least one quarter of the members of the HOSC to requisition a special meeting of the HOSC. Such a requisition must be in writing, be signed by each of the Councillors concerned, identify the business to be considered and be delivered to the Director of Commercial and Change. In accordance with Access to Information Rules, the Council must give five clear days' notice of any meeting.

## **Items for Future Meetings**

10. It is necessary that the HOSC's ability to react to emerging health issues in a timely manner and the public's expectation of this is balanced against Worcestershire County Council's statutory duty to ensure that meetings and issues to be considered are open and transparent and meet legislative requirements. This agenda item must not be used to raise non-urgent issues. Any such issues should be raised with the Scrutiny Team at least two weeks in advance of a scheduled meeting of the HOSC.

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