

## **Committee: Healthier Communities and Older People Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

**Date: 28 June 2016**

Agenda item:

Wards: ALL

### **Subject: Urogynaecology Services at St Georges University Hospital NHS Foundation Trust**

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#### **Recommendations:**

A. Panel are asked to comment on the plans for Urogynaecology services at St George's and the issues raised by staff and service users about the proposed future plans for the service.

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#### **1 PURPOSE OF REPORT AND EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

- 1.1. At the 9<sup>th</sup> February meeting of this Panel representatives from St George's University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust attended the meeting to discuss the future of the Urogynaecology service which had been temporarily transferred to Croydon Hospital while a consultation was being carried out on the future of the service. Service users also addressed the Panel to set out their concerns.
- 1.2. Similar discussions about the service were also held at Sutton and Kingston Scrutiny committees. Following these meetings a joint letter was sent to the Chief Executive of St George's expressing the concerns within scrutiny and setting out the outcomes from each meeting. The joint letter and the response from St George's are attached.
- 1.3. Senior Representative will attend this meeting to provide an update on the outcomes of the consultation and the future of the service. Service users will also share their views with the Panel.

#### **2 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**

The Healthier Communities and Older People Overview and Scrutiny Panel can select topics for scrutiny review and for other scrutiny work as it sees fit, taking into account views and suggestions from officers, partner organisations and the public.

Cabinet is constitutionally required to receive, consider and respond to scrutiny recommendations within two months of receiving them at a meeting.

- 2.1. Cabinet is not, however, required to agree and implement recommendations from Overview and Scrutiny. Cabinet could agree to implement some, or none, of the recommendations made in the scrutiny review final report.

### **3 CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN OR PROPOSED**

- 3.1. The Panel will be consulted at the meeting

### **4 TIMETABLE**

- 4.1. The Panel will consider important items as they arise as part of their work programme for 2016/17

### **5 FINANCIAL, RESOURCE AND PROPERTY IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1. None relating to this covering report

### **6 LEGAL AND STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS**

- 6.1. None relating to this covering report. Scrutiny work involves consideration of the legal and statutory implications of the topic being scrutinised.

### **7 HUMAN RIGHTS, EQUALITIES AND COMMUNITY COHESION IMPLICATIONS**

- 7.1. It is a fundamental aim of the scrutiny process to ensure that there is full and equal access to the democratic process through public involvement and engaging with local partners in scrutiny reviews. Furthermore, the outcomes of reviews are intended to benefit all sections of the local community.

### **8 CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS**

- 8.1. None relating to this covering report. Scrutiny work involves consideration of the crime and disorder implications of the topic being scrutinised.

### **9 RISK MANAGEMENT AND HEALTH AND SAFETY IMPLICATIONS**

- 9.1. None relating to this covering report

### **10 APPENDICES – THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS ARE TO BE PUBLISHED WITH THIS REPORT AND FORM PART OF THE REPORT**

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### **11 BACKGROUND PAPERS**

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