

HEALTH OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE: 9 SEPTEMBER 2015

REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES IN ASHBY: REPRESENTATIONS MADE BY THE ASHBY CIVIC SOCIETY

Purpose of report

1. The purpose of this report is to present representations made to the Committee by the Ashby Civic Society with regard to the closure of Ashby District Hospital. This is also the subject of a report elsewhere on the agenda from West Leicestershire Clinical Commissioning Group and Leicestershire Partnership NHS Trust. It is proposed that the two items are considered together.

Background

2. The representations consist of a letter to the Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee, which is attached as Appendix 1 to this report, and a report summarising the recent history of events leading to the proposed disposal of Ashby and District Hospital, which forms Appendix 2 to this report.
3. For clarification, the County Council's Constitution states that any decision to refer a matter to the Secretary of State for Health can only be made by the full Council. The Committee would therefore need to have cogent and compelling reasons for making any such recommendation to the Council.

Conclusions

4. The Committee is asked to consider the representations made by the Ashby Civic Society alongside the report submitted by West Leicestershire Clinical Commissioning Group and Leicestershire Partnership NHS Trust which appears elsewhere on the agenda for this meeting.

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List of Appendices

Appendix 1 – Letter from the Ashby Civic Society to the Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Appendix 2 – Report from the Ashby Civic Society summarising the recent history of events leading to the proposed disposal of Ashby and District Hospital