

Leicester City Clinical Commissioning Group
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East Leicestershire and Rutland Clinical Commissioning Group



**LEICESTERSHIRE, LEICESTER AND RUTLAND HEALTH
OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – THURSDAY 15
OCTOBER 2020**

BUILDING BETTER HOSPITALS FOR THE FUTURE

**REPORT OF THE
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE CLINICAL
COMMISSIONING GROUPS IN LEICESTER, LEICESTERSHIRE
AND RUTLAND.**

Purpose of the Report

1. The purpose of this report is to consult, as required by law, with the Leicestershire, Leicester and Rutland (Joint) Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee on the plans to reconfigure Leicester's hospitals in order to build better hospitals for the future for the population of Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland.

Policy Framework and Previous Decisions

2. The draft Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland Clinical Commissioning Group's (LLR CCGs) plan for Building Better Hospitals for the Future has been discussed with Health Overview and Scrutiny Committees, as well as other stakeholders, many times over recent years.
3. After obtaining national support from NHS England and Improvement for the Pre-Consultation Business Case on 1st September 2020 the documentation was formally approved by the LLR Clinical Commissioning Group Governing Bodies at their public meeting in common on 8th September 2020. This triggered a formal 12 week consultation, commencing 28th September and running until 21st December 2020.
4. The CCGs have a legal duty to consult on the reconfiguration of Leicester's hospitals, as set out in the National Health Service Act 2006, and are leading the process in partnership with University Hospitals of Leicester and NHS England Specialised Commissioning.

Background

5. The consultation commenced on 28th September 2020 and the proposals are outlined in the Consultation Document (Appendix 1) and summarised in the Summary Document (Appendix 2). More information is available on the website www.betterhospitalsleicester.nhs.uk. The consultation is in line with the Cabinet Office principles for public consultation (updated January 2016) and NHS England guidance 'Planning, assuring and delivering service change for patients' (published in November 2015).
6. The consultation provides a wide range of opportunities for interested persons to participate, including both online and offline. The local NHS is also partnering with the local Voluntary and Community Sector and Council of Faiths to ensure that the process is as inclusive as it is possible to be.
7. The purpose of consultation is to:
 - Give people a voice and opportunity to influence final decisions;
 - Inform people how the proposal has been developed;
 - Describe and explain the proposal;
 - Seek people's views and understand the impact of the proposal on them;
 - Ensure that a range of voices are heard which reflect the diverse communities involved in the consultation;
 - Understand the responses made in reply to proposals and take them into account in decision-making.
8. Our core objectives for consultation are to:
 - Have meaningful public, staff and stakeholder involvement achieved through a range of activities enabling people to influence transformation and facilitate effective decision making;
 - Hear from a wide range of voices, reflecting the diverse communities of Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland;
 - Ensure a safe, legally compliant process - enabling transformation to happen swiftly.

Background Papers

8. The full Pre-Consultation Business Case is available to view at the consultation website: www.betterhospitalsleicester.nhs.uk.

List of Appendices

5. Appendix 1 – Full consultation document
Appendix 2 – Summarised consultation document

Equalities and Human Rights Implications

6. The consultation takes account of the range of legislation that relates to CCG decision making including:
- Equality Act 2010
 - Public Sector Equality Duty Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010
 - Brown and Gunning Principles
 - Human Rights Act 1998
 - NHS Act 2006
 - NHS Constitution
 - Health and Social Care Act 2012
 - Communities Board Principles for Consultation

Recommendation

9. To discuss and provide feedback on the plans to reconfigure Leicester's hospitals in order to build better hospitals for the future for the population in Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland.

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Appendices

Appendix 1 – Consultation Document
Appendix 2 – Summary Consultation Document

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