


# Agenda Item 3

 <b>Lincolnshire</b> COUNTY COUNCIL <i>Working for a better future</i>		<b>THE HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE FOR LINCOLNSHIRE</b>	
Boston Borough Council	East Lindsey District Council	City of Lincoln Council	Lincolnshire County Council
North Kesteven District Council	South Holland District Council	South Kesteven District Council	West Lindsey District Council

Report to	<b>Health Scrutiny Committee for Lincolnshire</b>
Date:	<b>12 October 2022</b>
Subject:	<b>Chairman's Announcements</b>

## 1. Announcements Circulated with Agenda for 14 September 2022

Announcements on the following topics were circulated with the agenda for 14 September 2022:

- Covid-19 Update on Infection Rates
- Covid-19 Autumn 2022 Vaccination Programme
- NHS Dental Services – Changes to NHS Dental Contracts
- NHS Dental Services – Additional Weekend Sessions of Dentistry
- Grantham and District Hospital – Plans for Increased Theatre Capacity
- Mablethorpe *Campus for Future Living* and *Mobi-Hub*
- Healthwatch Lincolnshire – Your Health and Care Services in Lincolnshire (26 Oct 2022)
- Department of Health and Social Care Guidance – 29 July 2022:
  - The Preparation of Integrated Care Strategies
  - The Role of Health and Wellbeing Boards – Draft Guidance
  - Adult Social Care Principles for Integrated Care Partnerships
  - Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee Principles.
- HTG – UK: Non-Emergency Patient Transport

## 2. Rescheduling Agenda Items from 14 September 2022

Of the five substantive items on the agenda for 14 September 2022, two are being considered on this meeting's agenda:

- Ashley House Service Change (Item 5)
- Lincoln Medical School (Item 8)

One item, the update from North West Anglia NHS Foundation Trust, has been rescheduled to 18 January 2023. No earlier date can be programmed, because of the availability of the Trust's Chief Executive. The remaining two items, the Spalding GP Surgery Managed List Dispersal and the Lincolnshire Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment, were time critical, in the sense that they needed to be considered at the September meeting.

#### Spalding GP Surgery Managed List Dispersal

NHS Lincolnshire Integrated Care Board's public consultation closed on 9 September 2022, with the Committee previously given a dispensation to make its response after its planned meeting on 14 September. An informal response was prepared on behalf of members of the Committee, and submitted to NHS Lincolnshire Integrated Care Board on 23 September 2022.

The Committee is due to receive a report from NHS Lincolnshire Integrated Care Board at its next meeting on 9 November 2022, and as part of this item, the Committee will be able to consider some of the general issues raised as part of the consultation, such as the impact of increased housing development on GP practices; as well as ensuring overall pressures are handled.

#### Lincolnshire Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment

The Lincolnshire Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) was approved by the Lincolnshire Health and Wellbeing Board on 27 September 2022. The consultation draft of this document had been considered by a working group of the Committee in May 2022, with the Committee's response to the draft approved on 15 June 2022. In view of this, it is proposed that no further consideration is required at this stage. The final version of the PNA is available at the following link: <https://www.research-lincs.org.uk/JSNA-PNA.aspx>

### **3. Membership – Healthwatch Lincolnshire**

I confirm that Healthwatch Lincolnshire has advised that Mrs Liz Ball will be its representative on the Health Scrutiny Committee. This followed Dr Brian Wookey announcing that he would be standing down as Healthwatch's representative at the Committee's from 15 June 2022.

### **4. Care Quality Commission Inspection Report – Hawthorn Medical Practice Skegness**

On 30 September 2022, the Care Quality Commission (CQC) published its inspection report on the Hawthorn Medical Practice, Skegness, following an inspection on 23 August 2022. Hawthorn has been rated as 'inadequate' overall and thus placed in special measures. The practice was rated as 'inadequate' for three of the five CQC's domains (safe; responsive to people's needs; and well-led). For the other two domains (effective and caring) the practice was rated as 'requires improvement'. The full report, including the CQC's evidence table, has been circulated to the Committee and is available at the following link:

[Hawthorn Medical Practice - Care Quality Commission \(cqc.org.uk\)](https://www.cqc.org.uk)

The CQC has stated in its report that its main findings were:

- The practice did not always provide care in a way that kept patients safe and protected them from avoidable harm.
- There was no effective oversight of dispensary services that provided assurance as to its safety.
- Patients did not always receive effective care and treatment that met their needs.
- The practice had not taken reasonable steps to protect patients and others from the risks posed by healthcare associated infections.
- Staff dealt with patients with kindness and respect and involved them in decisions about their care.
- Patients could not access care and treatment in a timely way.
- The provider did not have effective oversight of the systems and processes designed to deliver safe and effective care.
- Governance systems were ineffective.
- Staff did not always have the training, supervision or appraisal required.

In accordance with the usual CQC approach, services placed in special measures will be inspected again within six months. If insufficient improvements have been made, the CQC states it will take action in line with its enforcement procedures to begin the process of preventing the provider from operating the service, leading the cancellation of their registration or variation of the terms of their registration.

As stated in the CQC's report the Hawthorn Medical Practice (operating in Skegness and Burgh Le Marsh) delivers services to a patient population of about 17,777, which is strikingly different from the Lincolnshire and England averages: it has a higher number of patients aged 65 and over; a higher deprivation score; higher numbers of patients with long-term conditions; and lower numbers aged 18 and under. Because of this, the practice population is weighted to 22,958 to reflect these patient demographic needs.

The plan is that the ICB's response to this report, including its support for the practice, will be considered by the Committee on 9 November 2022.

## **5. Humber and Lincolnshire Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

On 16 May 2022, the Humber and North Yorkshire Health and Care Partnership (on behalf of the Humber Acute Services Programme Team) wrote to the chief executives of five local authorities, including the Chief Executive of Lincolnshire County Council, seeking the establishment of a joint health overview and scrutiny committee to consider hospital reconfiguration proposals in the Humber area. The other four local authorities in receipt of the letter were the East Riding of Yorkshire, Hull City, North Lincolnshire and North East Lincolnshire.

In response to the letter, the meeting of Lincolnshire County Council on 27 September 2022 approved its participation in the Humber and Lincolnshire Joint Health Scrutiny Committee, for the purposes of formally responding to any substantial reconfiguration proposals arising from the Humber Acute Services Programme. The County Council appointed three members to the new Joint Committee: Councillors Carl Macey, Tom Smith and Stephen Bunney.

A previous arrangement to respond to the Humber Acute Services programme, using the Humber and North Yorkshire Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee, which was report to this Committee in May, has been superseded.

## **6. Lincolnshire Integrated Care Partnership**

The first meeting of the Lincolnshire Integrated Care Partnership (ICP), which is a joint committee of the NHS Lincolnshire Integrated Care Board (ICB) and Lincolnshire County Council, took place on 27 September 2022. As well as representatives from the ICB and the County Council, ICP has one representative each from NHS England, Healthwatch Lincolnshire, the Office of the Lincolnshire Police and Crime Commissioner; Lincolnshire Police; Lincolnshire district councils; the three Lincolnshire-based NHS providers; the Lincolnshire Primary Care Network Alliance; the Greater Lincolnshire Local Enterprise Partnership; the higher education sector; and the voluntary and community sector.

On 27 September ICP appointed Councillor Sue Woolley as its chair; and John Turner as its vice chair. The ICP's business also included approval of its approach on the development of Lincolnshire's interim Integrated Care Strategy, which is due to be considered by this Committee on 14 December 2022. The ICP will be meeting quarterly, with its next two meetings on 6 December 2022 and 28 March 2023.

## **7. Secretary of State and Ministerial Appointments**

The Rt Hon Dr Thérèse Coffey MP was appointed as the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care on 6 September 2022. In addition, the following ministerial appointments have been made:

- The Rt Hon Robert Jenrick MP, Minister of State
- Will Quince MP, Minister of State
- Dr Caroline Johnson MP, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State
- Neil O'Brien MP, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State
- Nick Markham CBE, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State

## 8. Policy Paper – *Our Plan for Patients*

On 22 September 2022, the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care launched a policy paper entitled: *Our Plan for Patients*. The policy paper, which is available at [Our plan for patients - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/policies/our-plan-for-patients), includes commitments on:

- providing transparent data on local NHS performance, which is clear to patients;
- moving prevention services, such as mobile breast screening, closer to patients;
- expanding mental health support for children at school;
- setting an expectation that everyone should get an appointment at their GP practice within two weeks;
- prioritising patients with urgent needs so that they get a same day appointment with their GP;
- requiring integrated care boards to hold their GP practices to account;
- publishing data on appointments provided by each GP practice;
- improving ambulance response times, by reducing hospital handover delays;
- supporting patients to be directed to the most appropriate service, such as an urgent care centre;
- supporting local falls prevention services;
- accelerating the hospital building programme;
- recruiting 50,000 more nurses by 2024;
- further expanding the network of community diagnostic centres;
- launching a new community pharmacy offer;
- integrated care boards will be held to account for the provision of dental services in their area; and
- reviewing the pension rules affecting NHS staff.

## 9. Annual Public Meetings of Local NHS Bodies 2022

NHS organisations (including the newly established NHS Lincolnshire Integrated Care Board) are required to hold an annual public meeting, at which the achievements from the previous year and plans for the coming year are highlighted. Details of the annual public meetings were circulated to members of the Committee on 23 September 2022 and took place on the following dates:

<b>Date and Time</b>	<b>Organisation</b>
26 September	NHS Lincolnshire Integrated Care Board
28 September	Lincolnshire Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
29 September	United Lincolnshire Hospitals NHS Trust
5 October	Lincolnshire Community Health Services NHS Trust
6 October	North West Anglia NHS Foundation Trust

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