


Agenda Item 4

		THE HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE FOR LINCOLNSHIRE	
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	Health Scrutiny Committee for Lincolnshire
Date:	14 December 2022
Subject:	Supplementary Chairman's Announcements

1. Information Requested at the Last Meeting – Hawthorn Medical Practice

Pursuant to Minute 17 [Hawthorn Medical Practice Skegness – Care Quality Commission (CQC) Report], there are two requests where further information is awaited:

- (i) Number of Appointments - The CQC's report referred to 700 to 800 appointments per week at the Hawthorn Medical Practice, compared to 1,200 appointments expected per week using a national calculation. Further information was requested on where these 400 to 500 patients a week were being treated.
- (ii) Action Plan – A copy of the action in response to the CQC's report was requested.

The above information will be circulated to the Committee when it is available.

2. Hawthorn Medical Practice, Skegness - Listening Clinic 5 January 2023

NHS Lincolnshire Integrated Care Board (ICB) is holding a listening clinic at the Hawthorn Medical Practice, Skegness, on Thursday 5 January 2023 between 10.30 am and 12.30 pm. This will take the form of a drop-in session, with staff available to answer questions. Those unable to attend may complete an [online survey](#) or email the ICB at Licb.involveus@nhs.net.

3. Grantham and District Hospital – Two New Theatres

On 8 December 2022, United Lincolnshire Hospitals NHS Trust (ULHT) announced the that the first patient had received knee replacement surgery at one of two new theatres at Grantham and District Hospital on 14 November 2022. (This is referred to on page 42 of the report pack.)

These two new theatres form part of a £5.4 million unit, which also includes preparation rooms, utility facilities and a six-bed recovery bay. The theatres also include an 'ultra-clean' ventilation system and digital screens, which allow theatre teams to access real-time patient information. There is also an area for staff to change and take a break.

ULHT has added that Grantham Hospital's experienced theatre teams undertake procedures seven days a week across several specialties, which include orthopaedics, ophthalmology, urology and general surgery. ULHT states that the new theatres support its long term improvement plan; provide a better patient experience; and improving the environment for delivering care.

ULHT has also stated that this significantly strengthens its ambition for Grantham to be a centre of excellence for its elective surgery programme, as the two theatres increase available theatre capacity at Grantham Hospital by 50%, with six theatres in total.

4. Adult Acute Mental Health Wards

On 12 October 2022, following a report from Lincolnshire Partnership NHS Foundation Trust (LPFT), the Committee recorded its support for the development of Norton Lea, Boston, as a replacement for the existing dormitory accommodation at Ward 12 at Pilgrim Hospital. Norton Lea will be a 19-bedroom mixed gender facility and would also provide a base for the crisis team and other services, creating a mental health hub for Boston and the surrounding area. Since October, LPFT has advised that engagement has continued, with two information sessions in Boston and an online survey. Designs for the building are expected to be finalised in the coming weeks.

Also reported to the Committee on 12 October 2022 were plans for the replacement of the two existing wards at the Peter Hodgkinson Centre, Lincoln, with ground floor accommodation. In its latest update LPFT has stated that construction work is progressing well, with underfloor heating and electrical services in place. Work has now begun on internal fixtures in the en-suite bedroom areas.

5. Humber Acute Services Programme

On 9 December 2022, the Humber Acute Programme published its update for the month of November 2022. This has been emailed to the Committee and can be found on the following website: [Humber Acute Services Programme - Humber and North Yorkshire Health and Care Partnership](#)

Maternity Services

In relation to section 5 of my announcements circulated on 8 December 2022, it has been clarified that the feedback from Lincolnshire parents on maternity services will be finalised by the end of December 2022 and can be shared with the Committee once it is published.

Outline Timetable and Next Steps for the Review

The Humber Acute Programme has confirmed that it is developing its plan for public consultation, and intends to have this ready by the end of February 2023, so that consultation can begin after the local elections in May 2023. In support of this, the Programme Team has stated that its current planning activity is focused on identifying those patients and stakeholders, who are likely to be affected.

The Programme Team has also stated that it intends to complete both its Pre-Consultation Business Case also by the end of February 2023 for submission to NHS England. The plan for consultation from May 2023 onwards is subject to the completion of the NHS England assurance process and a decision by the Humber and North Yorkshire Integrated Care Board.

The Programme Team has requested a meeting of the Humber and Lincolnshire Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee in early March 2023 to consider the consultation plan, to enable comments on the plan. In addition to any views from this Committee, the request for a meeting of the Joint Committee will also be considered by the other four councils represented on the Committee.

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