Agenda Item 7

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Open Report on behalf of Richard Wills, the Director Responsible for Democratic Services

Report to	Health Scrutiny Committee for Lincolnshire		
Date:	11 March 2015		
Subject:	Stamford and Rutland Hospital – Decision on Redevelopment Proposals		

Summary:

This item invites the Committee to note the decision of the Board of Directors of Peterborough and Stamford Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust on 24 February 2015 on the redevelopment of Stamford and Rutland Hospital. Councillor T M Trollope-Bellew attended the Board meeting on behalf of the Committee and his report is included within this item.

Actions Required:

To note the decision of the Board of Director of Peterborough and Stamford Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust on 24 February 2015 on the redevelopment of Stamford and Rutland Hospital, including the report from Councillor T M Trollope-Bellew.

1. Background

On 11 February 2015, the Committee considered a report from Peterborough and Stamford Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust on the proposed redevelopment of Stamford and Rutland Hospital. The Committee was advised that the Board of Directors of the Trust would be meeting in Stamford on 24 February to make a decision on the proposal.

Report from Councillor T M Trollope-Bellew

Councillor T M Trollope-Bellew attended the Board of Directors' meeting on 24 February 2015 and has provided the following report:-

- A lot of the information presented on 24 February had been presented to the Committee on 11 February 2015.
- John Randall, the Trust's Medical Director, stated: "Stamford is a vital part of our clinical footprint and our strategy going forward."
- Stamford and Rutland Hospital currently contributes £1,834,634 to the Trust's overall income. After redevelopment, it is hoped the site might contribute £2,184,231. Approximately 40% of the Trust's total income is derived from the Stamford area (South Lincolnshire, together with Rutland and East Leicestershire).
- Minor Injuries Unit Extension of the opening hours to cover evenings and weekends.
- Outpatients Expansion and improvements of facilities for Diabetes, Echocardiology, Antenatal, Urology and Dermatology.
- MRI Scanner It is hoped to have a static scanner instead of the Mobile one that is at Stamford Hospital for 13 days each month. This would take the pressure off the two MRI scanners at Peterborough City Hospital. The cost of an MRI Scanner is about £850,000.
- Two new Procedure Rooms on the site of the current Hurst Ward, to deal with an extra 400 patients a week. This is dependent on the Trust receiving planning permission. The financial cost of not obtaining planning permission would be £1.5 million to £2 million.
- The eastern and central parts of the site would be redeveloped to make a unit fit for the 21st Century.
- The western end of the site, it is hoped, will be sold or leased.
- The total cost of all the redevelopment would be between £8.2 million to £9.5 million.

Stamford Hospital Redevelopment Update

Peterborough and Stamford Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust has issued a *Stamford Hospital Redevelopment Update*, which states the following:

The updated business case to redevelop Stamford Hospital was approved by the Trust Board of Directors on 24 February in a meeting at Stamford Hospital that was attended by members of the public. In addition, a separate business case to build a third MRI scanner for the Trust, to be permanently housed at Stamford Hospital, was approved.

The key aims of the business case include:

- Improving the Minor Injuries Unit provision and changing the access arrangements
- Retaining the inpatient ward and increasing the number of outpatient clinics and range of specialties
- Installing one or more high-specification procedure rooms to focus upon local anaesthetic and diagnostic procedures
- Selling off the West end of the site to raise funds to plough back in to the redevelopment
- Creating a dedicated area for a permanent MRI scanner

In the meeting [on 24 February 2015], the Trust Board of Directors approved the following five recommendations that were made by the Stamford Hospital Redevelopment Project Team:

- To refurbish and redesign of the East end of the site according to the development control plan and in order to deliver the agreed clinical strategy, at a cost of £2.75 million.
- 2. Not to progress with demolishing the accommodation block until further work is completed on understanding the costs and benefits including possible future funding partners.
- 3. To progress with marketing and sale of the land earmarked for disposal at the west end of the site, in accordance with best value for money for the taxpayer, and with respect to the covenants and all other historical and other implications.
- 4. To proceed with the pre-application for planning permission to demolish Hurst Ward and construct a new build for the delivery of procedure room activity in two rooms.
- 5. To begin the process of identifying the additional capital spend required, including beginning a multi-approach fund-raising campaign.

Next Steps

The project team will now begin the process to start work on changes to the east end of the site (outpatient services) and work with the local planning authority to obtain planning permission to demolish some parts of the site. They will also be working with land agents to attract potential buyers for the plots and applying for additional capital funding to meet the costs of the initial work.

The Trust will provide regular updates on the development as it takes shape. In addition, the Trust is continuing to work with its commissioning partners to ensure its plans remain in keeping with the health needs of the local population.

2. Conclusion

The Committee is invited note the decision of the Board of Director of Peterborough and Stamford Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust on 24 February 2015, including the report from Councillor T M Trollope-Bellew, on the redevelopment of Stamford and Rutland Hospital.

3. Consultation

There is no consultation required as part of this item.

4. Appendices - None

5. Background Papers

No background papers within Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972 were used in the preparation of this report.

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