

SLOUGH BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT TO: Health Scrutiny Panel

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PART I

FOR COMMENT & CONSIDERATION

FRIMLEY CLINICAL COMMISSIONING GROUP (CCG) POTENCIAL MERGER

1. Purpose of Report

NHS East Berkshire; North East Hampshire & Farnham and Surrey Health Clinical Commissioning Groups are now considering the case for change to establish a single clinical commissioning group in the Frimley Health and Care ICS. A vote was put to the member practices on the 15th September. The member practices voted in favour of a merger. Work continues with the members to agree the details of the changes in the constitution.

We want each place to retain its identity and see this being championed and developed further by clinical leaders and managing directors as they develop priorities for each place.

Our Places; through the Clinical Leader, Managing Director, and Place Non-Executive and in partnership with key local stakeholders in our Place Committee's will continue to make decisions on how best to utilise the resources available to them locally, and to work collectively to ensure broader system pathways are effective.

2. Recommendation(s)/Proposed Action

The Panel is requested to note the report.

3. The Slough Joint Wellbeing Strategy, the JSNA and the Five Year Plan

The [Slough Joint Wellbeing Strategy](#) (SJWS) is the document that details the priorities agreed for Slough with partner organisations. The SJWS has been developed using a comprehensive evidence base that includes the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA).

3a. Slough Wellbeing Strategy Priorities

The CCG plans will reflect the health and care landscape around it, providing the vision and leadership for strategic commissioning across the system, whilst meeting the needs of our local populations at place.

We will not be changing anything in isolation – on the contrary we expect our staff, member practices, health and care partners, communities and neighbourhoods to continue to help shape our thinking as we design commissioning arrangements in the Frimley system.

Frimley Health and Care continues to be a leading Integrated Care System and we need to ensure that our way of working that promote and encourage innovation, professionalism and creativity continue to flourish.

This approach aligns to the Councils (2) integration and (3) strong, health & attractive neighbourhood priorities.

3b. **Five Year Plan Outcomes**

This aligns to the Council's Five Year Plan – specifically

- Outcome 1: Slough children will grow up to be happy, healthy and successful
- Outcome 2: Our people will be healthier and manage their own care needs

4. **Other Implications**

(a) Financial

(b) Risk Management

The CCGs have identified risks as part of the merger plans. The main risk is if the CCGs do not merge then this could have an impact on the integration of health and care within the Frimley Health and Care ICS.

(c) Human Rights Act and Other Legal Implications

There are no Human Rights Act Implications.

(d) Equalities Impact Assessment

The proposed merger will have a detailed equalities impact assessment which will be available when the application is made to NHSE/I on 30 September 2020.

5. **Supporting Information**

None.

6. **Comments of Other Committees**

The Collaborative Board will be taking forward the proposals to merge through it's various committees between now and March 2021.

7. **Conclusion**

The Panel is asked to note the intention of NHS East Berkshire, North East Hampshire & Farnham; and Surrey Heath CCGs to merge on 1 April 2021 following a vote in favour of the merger by member GPs.

8. **Background Papers**

None