

Great Yarmouth and Waveney Joint Health Scrutiny Committee

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Implementation of the Changes to Adult and Dementia Mental Health Services in Great Yarmouth and Waveney

Suggested approach from the Scrutiny Officer.

<p>Great Yarmouth and Waveney Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) and Norfolk and Suffolk NHS Foundation Trust (NSFT) will report on progress with implementation of the changes to adult and dementia mental health services in Great Yarmouth and Waveney.</p>

Background

1. On 8 October 2014 Great Yarmouth and Waveney Joint Health Scrutiny Committee received details of the CCG Governing Body's decisions, on 25 September 2014, on the future of adult and dementia mental health services in the area, following the twelve week public consultation which closed on 24 April 2014.
2. The CCG's Governing Body had approved a new approach to develop three local centres of excellence on two sites. It was agreed that acute mental health services should be at Northgate Hospital, older people with mental health issues at Carlton Court and young people's mental health services should also be based at Carlton Court.
3. The CCG and NSFT had explained that they would be taking a phased approach to these changes. Adult acute beds at Carlton Court were not to close until new beds had been built at Northgate Hospital. The new beds were expected to be in place around mid-2015. The CCG also assured the Joint Committee that it would monitor the implementation of the changes very carefully with NSFT, local clinicians, staff and patient representatives to make sure that patients remain safe, the quality of services is good, and staff were fully engaged throughout the transition process.
4. On 8 April 2015 the Joint Committee received a progress update, and the CCG and NSFT were also asked to update the joint committee on
 - a) The trend in out of area placements of mental health patients (i.e. the number of patients from other areas who have been placed in the Great

Yarmouth and Waveney area; the numbers of patients from the Great Yarmouth and Waveney area who have been placed in other areas).

- b) NSFT's action to address the requirements of the CQC inspection report and Monitor in relation to the Great Yarmouth and Waveney area specifically.
5. At that meeting the Joint Committee agreed to receive a further update report in 6 months on changes to adult and dementia mental health services and the establishment of the children's service at Carlton Court, including Norfolk and Suffolk NHS Foundation Trust (NSFT) staff survey results, if available. It was further agreed that Members of the Joint Committee should be invited to visit the new facilities at Northgate hospital sometime after the building was opened to the public.
 6. At its meeting on 13 November 2015 the Joint Committee received an information briefing update on Waveney Acute Services (Carlton Court) in which it was stated that this year has seen NSFT implement a transition plan to ensure that the quality of services have not been compromised and any affected staff are embedded within the new teams.

Purpose of today's meeting

7. The CCG and NSFT have been asked to update the joint committee on progress with:-
 - the changes to adult and dementia mental health services
 - establishment of the children's service at Carlton Court
 - placement/location of Resource Information Centres
 - impact on the affected NSFT staff, including the results of any staff surveys, if available.
 - Plans for a future visit by the Joint Committee to the new facilities at Northgate hospital

Suggested approach

8. Representatives from the GY&W CCG and NSFT will present the implementation update and respond to any questions or comments from the joint committee.
9. The following document is attached:
 - a) Report by GY&W CCG and NSFT, '*Implementation of the Changes to Adult and Dementia Mental Health Services in Great Yarmouth and Waveney*'

References

- (i) the Committee's previous consideration of this topic at its meetings on 8 Oct 2014 and 8 April 2015:
<http://norfolkcc.cmis.uk.com/norfolkcc/Meetings/tabid/70/ctl/ViewMeetingPublic/mid/397/Meeting/327/Committee/25/Default.aspx>
(<http://norfolkcc.cmis.uk.com/norfolkcc/Meetings/tabid/70/ctl/ViewMeetingPublic/mid/397/Meeting/329/Committee/25/Default.aspx>)
- (ii) The Information Bulletin update for the 13 Nov 2015 meeting:
<http://committeeminutes.suffolkcc.gov.uk/meeting.aspx?d=13/Nov/2015&c=Great Yarmouth and Waveney Joint Health Scrutiny Committee>
- (iii) HealthEast GY&W CCG Governing Body meeting 17/12/2015, [Agenda Item 10- Update on Norfolk and Suffolk Foundation Trust \(NSFT\) Mental Health Consultation Implementation](#)

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