

Northumberland County Council

Primary Care Applications Working Group

Monitoring Report

TERMS OF REFERENCE

Purpose

The purpose of the Primary Care Applications Working Group is to scrutinise and comment upon applications for variations to primary care services as consultee on behalf of Northumberland County Council's Health and Wellbeing Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

Composition

The Working Party will consist of four Members of the Health & Wellbeing Overview and Scrutiny Committee, including the Chair and Vice-Chair.

Meetings

The Working Group will consist of four Members of the Health & Wellbeing Overview and Scrutiny Committee, including the Chair and Vice-Chair.

Local Members from areas affected by applications, as well as Officers and applicants or their representatives, will attend meetings as appropriate for business on the agenda.

A standing invite will be offered to HealthWatch Northumberland.

Role and Activities

The Working Party's role and activities will include:

- Acting as consultee for applications referred to the Council by the North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board (ICB), NHS England, Northumbria Healthcare, Northumberland County Councillors, or directly by members of the public
- Receiving advice from ICB and Officers
- Gathering evidence from applicants
- Reaching consensus on responses to applications
- Reporting back to the Health & Wellbeing Overview and Scrutiny Committee annually via publication of the Working Group's monitoring report or as required by the Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Overview and Scrutiny Committee

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Ref	Date	Report	Info	Decision
1	25 July 2017	Cambois Branch Surgery	Cambois Branch Surgery	RESOLVED that the position be noted
2	15 November 2017	Rothbury GP practice	To receive updates relating to the proposal that Rothbury GP practice move into Rothbury Community Hospital and the recent closure of Coquetdale Dental Practice	RESOLVED to suggest that the Health and Wellbeing Overview and Scrutiny Committee receive a Report from NHS England, preferably at the 16 January 2018 Meeting, providing Members with the opportunity to offer a useful and positive response
3	14 December 2017	Stamfordham branch surgery of the White Medical Group	To receive update relating to the proposal that the Stamfordham branch surgery of the White Medical Group be closed	RESOLVED to: a) support approval of the application as the appropriate way forward b) note that comment from the local Member would be an important input to the process.
4	19 June 2018	Collingwood Medical Practice, Blyth	To consider future medical provision for patients of the Collingwood Medical practice	RESOLVED that: a) the Primary Care Commissioning Committee be advised that this Working party supports the option to disperse the list of Collingwood's patients; and b) a verbal update on this matter be presented to the next meeting of the Health and Wellbeing Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

5	23 September 2019	Tweedmouth Dental Clinic	To consider a re-application for a change in location for Tweedmouth Dental Clinic.	RESOLVED that the re-application be fully supported and this Working Party's views be submitted into the consultation process.
6	24 January 2020	Riversdale Surgery, Wylam.	To consider an application for a change in location for delivery of primary care services from Riversdale Surgery, Wylam	RESOLVED that the Working Party's views be reported to the Primary Care Commissioning Committee.
7	4 August 2020	Merger between Lintonville Medical Group, Brockwell Medical Group and Wellway Medical Group	To consider the proposed contract merger between Lintonville Medical Group, Brockwell Medical Group and Wellway Medical Group	RESOLVED that the Working Party endorse the proposal for the contract merger as set out in the presentation provided.
8	1 December 2020	The Gables Branch Surgery, Cambois	To consider the proposal to close the Gables Surgery Branch and scrutinise and consider the implications of the requested variation to primary medical care services	RESOLVED that the Working Group endorse the proposal for branch surgery closure at Cambois as set out in the report
9	2 February 2021	Felton Surgery Relocation	To consider a proposal for the temporary relocation of Felton Surgery and Dispensary to Widdrington Surgery	RESOLVED that the Working Group endorse the proposal for the temporary relocation of the Felton Surgery and Dispensary to Widdrington as set out in the report
10	10 August 2021	Elsdon Avenue Surgery	To consider a proposal for new build premises for the Elsdon Avenue Surgery.	RESOLVED that the Working Group endorse the proposal for a new build for the Elsdon Avenue Surgery, as set out in the report
11	10 August 2021	The Alnwick Medical Group: Longhoughton Branch	To consider a proposal to close the branch surgery operations in Longhoughton.	RESOLVED that: The proposed application be noted, and A further report be presented to the Working Group to advise on the outcomes of the views expressed during the engagement activities before reaching a decision on this application.
12	7 December 2021	Operation Hadrian	To consider a proposal to develop a state-of-the-art Integrated Care Hub in Cramlington, based in a	RESOLVED that the Working Group endorse the proposal to relocate the Brockwell surgery to the NSECH hospital

			purpose-built facility at Northumbria Specialist Emergency Care Hospital (NSECH)	site to support the effective delivery of high quality safe primary care services in a fit for purpose building.
13	12 April 2022	Cheviot and Glendale	To consider a proposal to merge Cheviot Medical Group and Glendale Surgery.	RESOLVED that the Working Group support the request to merge the Cheviot Medical Group and Glendale Surgery practices to support the effective and sustainable delivery of high quality safe primary care services.
14	31 May 2022	Ponteland Medical Group – Dinnington Branch	To consider a proposal to develop a new practice premises building to accommodate the surgery at Dinnington, a branch of Ponteland Medical Group, via a third-party developer – Argon Property Development Solutions (“APDS”)	RESOLVED that the Working Group support the request for a new build in Dinnington Village for the Ponteland Medical Group, Dinnington Branch Surgery, to support the effective delivery of high quality safe primary care services in a fit for purpose building.
15	4 October 2022	The Alnwick Medical Group – Longhoughton Branch	To consider a proposal to close the branch surgery operations in Longhoughton. It was agreed in August 2021, that a further report would be brought back to the working group to advice on the outcomes of the views expressed during the engagement activities before reaching a decision on this application.	RESOLVED that further investigation work be carried out with Westfield Park Sports Complex to explore if primary care services could be delivered regularly from their site.
16	6 December 2022	Proposed Relocation of Dr J Old Dental Practice	The proposal is to merge two part-time single surgery dental practices. The practices are both located in NHS medical centers at Bedlington Station (3 days per week) and Widdrington Station (2 days per week).	RESOLVED that further discussions take place between NHS England and Dr Old before a decision is reached.
17	2 May 2023	Lloyds Pharmacy, Cramlington	To discuss the proposed closure of Lloyds Pharmacy, operating from Sainsbury’s supermarket, Manor Walks, Cramlington.	RESOLVED that the Working Group:

				<p>a) note the new developments and the action being taken to mitigate against the risks to Northumberland residents.</p> <p>b) be kept informed of any further developments.</p>
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