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To: Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee – 26 November 2010

Subject: The Future of Community Service Providers: Written Update.

1. Background

(1) The Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee last considered this subject at its meeting of 3 September 2010. It will consider the subject again in depth at its meeting of 4 February 2011.

- (2) As this is a subject about which Members have expressed a high level of interest in the past, a written update was asked for based on the following requests:
 - 1. An update on any developments that have occurred since the September meeting;
 - 2. An updated timeline for the proposals around the future of community service provision; and
 - 3. A summary of the *Proposal for the Establishment of a Pan-Kent Community Services NHS Trust* that went before the Boards of NHS Eastern and Coastal Kent and NHS West Kent in September.

2. Recommendations

(a) The Committee is asked to note the information provided.