

Item 9: Maidstone & Tunbridge Wells Trust – Clinical Strategy – Repatriating Bariatric Care

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Subject: Maidstone & Tunbridge Wells Trust – Clinical Strategy – Repatriating Bariatric Care

Summary: This report invites the Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee to consider the information provided by Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust (MTW).

1) Introduction

- a) At its meeting on 21 July 2021, the Committee received a paper about the clinical strategy reconfiguration at Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust (MTW). The Trust wanted to develop deeper specialist service provision.
- b) At the HOSC meeting of 10 May 2023 the Committee was updated on the progress of the clinical strategy. During the discussion, a member asked about repatriating services from London to Kent. It was explained that there would need to be a clear understanding of which services could, and could not, be provided from London. Although some very specialist care would have to be provided from London, providers across Kent and Medway were looking for opportunities to bring care closer to residents.
- c) Ms Jones (Executive Director Strategy, Planning and Partnerships, MTW) provided the example of repatriating bariatric care and offered to provide the Committee with further information at a future meeting.

2) Recommendation

RECOMMENDED that the Committee consider and note the report.

Background Documents

Kent County Council (2021) '*Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (21/07/2021)*', <https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=112&MId=8758&Ver=4>

Kent County Council (2023) '*Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (10/05/2023)*', <https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/mgAi.aspx?ID=62792>

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