

Item: Children Cancer Services – Principal Treatment Centre

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To: Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee, 17 December 2024

Subject: Specialist Children's Cancer Services

Summary: This report invites the Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee to receive a written update on the future provision of Specialist Children's Cancer Services.

1) Introduction

- a) The Principal Treatment Centres (PTC) for children's cancer in London and the South East is being relocated from two London sites to a single site (the Evelina London). This follows a public consultation and procurement process.

2) Previous visits to HOSC

- a) HOSC received a paper at their meeting 31 January 2023 setting out the proposals for change. Following discussion, Members agreed that the proposals did not constitute a substantial variation of service.
 - b) A public consultation ran from Tuesday 26th September to Monday 18th December 2023. HOSC members were kept informed via email updates. The outcome of the consultation was provided to HOSC in February 2024.
 - c) A final decision was made by NHS England in March 2024. The move is not expected to be complete before October 2026.
- a) NHS England has provided the attached written update to keep the Committee informed on progress.

3. Recommendation

- a) RECOMMENDED that the Committee note the update.

Background Documents

Kent County Council (2023), Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (31/01/2023)
<https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=112&MId=9051&Ver=4>

Kent County Council (2024), Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (29/02/2024)
<https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=112&MId=9320&Ver=4>

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