

Item 16: Dermatology Services in West Kent (Written Briefing)

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To: Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee, 2 September 2016

Subject: Dermatology Services in West Kent (Written Briefing)

Summary: This report invites the Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee to consider the information provided by NHS West Kent CCG and King's College Hospital NHS Foundation Trust.

It is a written update only and no guests will be present to speak on this item.

It provides additional background information which may prove useful to Members.

1. Introduction

- (a) On 10 October 2014 the Committee considered an item about the redesign of dermatology services in North and West Kent. The Committee agreed the following recommendation:

▪ *RESOLVED that:*

- (a) *The Committee do not deem this change to be substantial.*
- (b) *The guests be thanked for their attendance at the meeting, that they be requested to take note of the comments made by Members during the meeting and that they be invited to submit a report to the Committee in six months.*

- (b) On 19 July 2016 the Committee received a written briefing from King's College Hospital NHS Foundation Trust regarding the relocation of dermatology outpatient services from Orpington Hospital to Beckenham Beacon.

- (c) On receipt of the King's College Hospital NHS Foundation Trust's briefing, the Vice-Chairman-in-the-Chair requested a written briefing from NHS West Kent CCG about provision for the West Kent patients affected by the relocation of dermatology outpatient services. The Vice-Chairman-in-the-Chair also requested an update on the redesign of dermatology services in North and West Kent.

- (d) The following reports are attached for Members' information:

NHS West Kent CCG

pages 137 - 142

King's College Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

pages 143 - 146

2. Recommendation

RECOMMENDED that:

- (a) the report on the procurement of dermatology services in West Kent be noted and NHS West Kent be requested to provide an update following the mobilisation of the new provider.
- (b) the written briefing provided by King's College Hospital NHS Foundation Trust regarding the relocation of dermatology outpatient services from Orpington Hospital to Beckenham Beacon be noted.

Background Documents

Kent County Council (2014) '*Agenda, Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (10/10/2014)*',
<https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/mgAi.aspx?ID=29901>

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