

Item 6: Edenbridge Memorial Health Centre

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Subject: Edenbridge Memorial Health Centre

Summary: This report invites the Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee to consider the information provided by Kent Community Health NHS Foundation Trust Community (KCHFT).

It provides background information which may prove useful to Members.

1) Introduction

- a) Historically, health services in Edenbridge were provided by a GP Practice ("Edenbridge Medical Practice"), an at home service through Kent Community Health NHS Foundation Trust (KCHFT), and the Edenbridge and District War Memorial Hospital.
- b) The GP surgery and Hospital were both deemed unsuitable for modern healthcare needs, therefore the former NHS West Kent CCG carried out a consultation in 2017 to develop a vision for a more modern and integrated service in new facilities.
- c) The outcome was the creation of the Edenbridge Memorial Health Centre.

2) Previous visits to HOSC

- a) HOSC has received updates on the primary and community care proposals in Edenbridge since 2016. The changes were not deemed to be a substantial variation of service.
- b) The Committee received its last formal update on 28 March 2023. The construction work had recently completed, and the centre was due to open in November 2023. Public engagement had been underway with more planned, and HOSC invited the Trust back after summer for a further update.

3) Recommendation

RECOMMENDED that the Committee consider and note the report.

Background Documents

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