

## Item 12: Review of the Frank Lloyd Unit, Sittingbourne (Written Update)

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To: Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee, 23 July 2019

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Summary: This report invites the Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee to consider the information provided by Kent and Medway CCGs.

It provides background information which may prove useful to Members.

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

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### 1. Introduction

- (a) The Frank Lloyd Unit is an inpatient unit for individuals with complex dementia needs and challenging behaviour.<sup>1</sup> It is accessed by patients across Kent and Medway.
- (b) The service is provided by Kent and Medway NHS and Social Care Partnership Trust (KMPT).

### 2. Previous reports to HOSC

- (a) HOSC received a written briefing at their meeting on 21 September 2018, notifying them that the unit was under review due to concerns around its sustainability.
- (b) The CCGs were due to return to HOSC with a detailed paper once the review had completed.
- (c) The HOSC was presented with a further written update at its June meeting. The CCG acknowledged that work had not progressed as anticipated and therefore a detailed report was still not available.
- (d) At its meeting of 6 June 2019, Members resolved:
  - a. *the report be noted;*
  - b. *the Kent and Medway CCGs attend the next meeting in order to provide a further update, which would provide additional information on (but not limited to):*
    - i. *the current standard of care for patients still accessing the service;*

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<sup>1</sup> KMPT (2019) Frank Lloyd Unit, <https://www.kmpt.nhs.uk/our-services/frank-lloyd-unit/>

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- ii. how that standard of care was maintained;*
  - iii. the progress made on alternative provision.*
- (e) At the time of the July meeting, the unit's current patients, families and carers are still to be engaged and therefore the CCG will be attending September's HOSC meeting with a detailed update.
- (f) The CCG has provided a written update for this meeting which includes responses to the above points.
- (g) Healthwatch Kent published a paper in February 2019 setting out the feedback they had received from carers about the future of the unit. That paper is attached to this report for Member's information.

### **3. Recommendation**

RECOMMENDED that the Committee note the report and request the CCG provide a detailed update in September.

### **Background Documents**

Kent County Council (2018) '*Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (21/09/18)*', <https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=112&MId=7921&Ver=4>

Kent County Council (2019) '*Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (06/06/19)*', <https://democracy.kent.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=112&MId=8281&Ver=4>

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