
Health Scrutiny Committee

8 March 2007

Report of the Head of Civic, Democratic and Legal Services

Financial situation of North Yorkshire and York Primary Care Trust

Summary

1. This report is to introduce Nick Steele, Finance Director and Jane Marshall, Director of Commissioning and Service Development at North Yorkshire and York PCT. The report will also ask members to consider requesting information for a future meeting about the dentistry and podiatry services in York.

Background

2. At the meeting of 12 February 2007 members requested that this special meeting be held to receive information on financial issues relating to the PCT's recovery plan as well as an update on their contract with York Hospitals NHS Trust and partnership working with City of York's Social Services departments.
3. Nick Steele and Jane Marshall have been invited to this meeting to provide these updates and answer members' questions.
4. Members have expressed concerns over reports of year-long waiting lists for podiatry services and may wish to consider inviting a speaker on this issue to a future meeting.
5. At the meeting of 4 January 2007 members requested regular updates from the PCT regarding the numbers of people in York on the database awaiting allocation to a dental surgery. The next update is due at the meeting of 2 April. Since the last update on 12 February members have expressed concern over reports that dental practices are running out of their allocated units of dental activity before the end of the financial year, with the result that patients have to wait to be treated even if they are allocated to a surgery.

Consultation

6. This item is part of the consultation that members are ongoing with colleagues from the Health Trusts.

Options

7. Members can receive the comments from the representatives of the PCT and make decisions as to whether they wish to hear from other speakers at future meetings .

Analysis

8. Not relevant for this report which is asking members to consider how they wish to deal with this in their future work.

Corporate Priorities

9. Relevant to Corporate Priority 7 – Improve the health and lifestyles of the people who live in York, in particular among groups whose levels of health are the poorest.

Implications

10. There are no known Financial, HR, Equalities, Legal, Crime and Disorder, IT or other implications at this stage.

Risk Management

11. In compliance with the Councils risk management strategy, there are no known risks associated with the recommendations of this report.

Recommendations

12. Members are asked to receive the updates from the representatives of the PCT and consider how they wish to use this information in their future work.
13. Members are asked to consider if they wish to hear from professionals in the dental and podiatry service at the meeting of 2 April 2007.
Reason: In order to carry out their duty to promote the health needs of the people they represent.

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Specialist Implications Officer(s) *None*

Wards Affected:

All



For further information please contact the author of the report

Annexes

None

Background Papers

None