

Health and Social Care Policy & Scrutiny Committee City of York Council

Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys NHS Foundation Trust Update

1. Introduction

On 24th September 2015 CQC issued a Section 64 notice to Leeds York Partnership Foundation Trust (LYPFT), the provider at that time, that it was minded to deregister Bootham Park Hospital (BPH) from midnight on 30 September 2015. This would prevent any regulated activities being delivered from the site and covers Inpatient, Outpatient, ECT and S.136 activities.

LYPFT and Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys NHS Foundation Trust (TEWV) worked together in identifying options to manage this position and facilitate the safe transfer of patients and services to alternative locations.

The operational delivery for mental health and learning disability service transferred to TEWV on the 1 October 2015. TEWV continues to do all it can to minimise the impact the transfer of patient services has on service users, their families and staff.

2. Operational Plans

LYPFT instituted their Business Continuity Plan (BCP) and mobilised clinical and managerial staff to support the safe transfer of patients to alternative sites and implemented a range of solutions around the outpatient, S136 and ECT activities. TEWV worked closely with LYPFT to facilitate the relevant solutions and has continued to refine these plans, based on service, patient and carer feedback.

The detail below outlines the arrangements:

Outpatients that attend Bootham Park Hospital

Up to 400 people a week attend Bootham Park Hospital for outpatient appointments with psychiatrists, nurses, counsellors and other health care practitioners. This includes medical outpatients, the Improving Access to Psychological Therapies (IAPT) service and Psychology services.

For patients normally seen at Bootham Park as outpatients, arrangements have now been made which are outlined below:

Community outpatients and those receiving Improving Access to Psychological Therapies (IAPT)

From Monday 5 October these patients will be seen at the Lime Trees unit which is located at 31 Shipton Road, York YO30 5RE, Acomb Gables, 2 Oak Rise, York, YO24 4LJ and 126 Acomb Road, York, YO24 4EY. People have been contacted about where to attend. The units can be contacted via Bootham Park Hospital reception on 01904 294600. Patients attending Bootham Park by mistake will be redirected and where necessary supported to get to the new location.

Psychology services

From Monday 5 October these patients will be seen at Cherry Tree House, 218 Fifth Avenue, Heworth, York YO31 0PN. The telephone number is 01904 294 865.

Patients who require Electroconvulsive Therapy (ECT)

These patients will now receive this service at York Hospital which is on Wigginton Road, York YO31 8HE. The telephone number is 01904 631 313.

Transport for outpatients

Transport will be provided for any outpatients who attend Bootham Park Hospital who are unable to transport themselves to a different location to receive services.

Inpatients

Wards 1 and Ward 2 at Bootham Park

Ward 1 is a 13 bed female inpatient ward and Ward 2 is a 16 bed male inpatient ward.

Patients have been transferred from these wards, supported by a discharge liaison team of senior clinical staff.

For the immediate future most people who need a hospital admission will go to Roseberry Park in Middlesbrough. Roseberry Park is located on Marion Road, Middlesbrough TS4 3AF and the telephone number is 01642 837300. Some patients may be admitted to other Trust sites.

14 staff have been redeployed into the intensive home treatment team to support people in their own homes and help avoid hospital admission.

Visiting

We will do everything we can to support families who are visiting these hospitals including the use of taxis and have also set up arrangements to reimburse people for travel costs. Please speak to a member of staff or contact our patient advance and liaison team (PALS).

Ward 6 (the elderly Assessment Ward) at Bootham Park

All patients from Ward 6 were moved successfully on 24 September to Cherry Tree House in the Heworth area of York as part of a long standing programme of improvement works.

Cherry Tree House is located at 218 Fifth Avenue, York YO31 0PN and the telephone number is 01904 294 865.

Section 136 place of safety

The Section 136 service is for people who are detained by the Police under Section 136 of the Mental Health Act in a public place who have a need for acute care and assessment in a clinical environment rather than be detained in police custody.

The Section 136 suite at Bootham Park closed on Saturday 26 September. We have made arrangements with North Yorkshire Police to accommodate anyone who needs a Section 136 suite in existing facilities at Harrogate District Hospital. If this facility is full patients will be transferred to facilities either in Northallerton or Scarborough. Additional staff will be redeployed to enhance the Street Triage service in York, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

The arrangements are subject to regular review and further refinements to the operational plans will be undertaken as service needs are identified.

A helpline has been set up for anyone who has any questions or concerns about what's happening, e.g. where services are being provided or where to go for appointments. The number is 01904 610700.

3. CQC Registration

TEVV has had further discussion with CQC around the potential re-registration of BPH for outpatients, S 136 and ECT.

CQC officers visited the site on 9/10/15 and we are working with CQC around the registration requirements.

4. Medium Term Solutions

TEWV is actively reviewing the estate solutions with a view to reconfiguring one of the existing units within York so that it can be developed into an adult ward, which would enable adult inpatient services to be reinstated within York.

TEWV is working with VoY CCG and NHS Property Services to facilitate a programme of works which should enable this option to be implemented within 6 months.

5. Longer Term Solutions

The Trust is keen to develop a new hospital for York, covering both adult and older people services by 2019. TEWV is working with partners to identify estate and funding solutions to facilitate this provision.

6. Conclusion

Members are asked to note the work that TEWV is undertaking to ensure the safety of patients following Bootham Park Hospital deregistration. A further operational update will be available at the meeting.