

Report of the Assistant Director, Governance and ICT

Report on the closure of the Monitor investigation into York Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

Summary

1. This report informs Members of the Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee of the decision by Monitor to close their investigation into York Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust.

Background

2. The investigation was opened in early September 2014 as a result of breaches of the four hour emergency access and cancer targets, in particular the two week wait target for symptomatic breast patients.
3. The situation was explained to Members at a meeting of Health OSC on 10 September 2014 when the Annual Report of York Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust was considered.
4. Members were informed that although the Trust has performed well against the majority of targets there were two exceptions, emergency waiting times and 18 week referral for cancer treatment targets.
5. In respect of the cancer treatment targets Members were informed that although there had been a significant increase in the number of referrals this has not been reflected in an increase in the number of cancer cases and that the number of referrals was not uniform across GP practices in the city.
6. Members asked that they be kept informed about the situation.
7. In late October 2014 Monitor released a statement confirming that the formal investigation was being closed.

Consultation

8. The information in Annex A and Annex B has been provided by York Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust and Michael Proctor, the Deputy Chief Executive Officer will be attending the meeting to answer any questions members may have.

Analysis

9. This report is provided for information only.

Council Plan

10. This report supports the protect vulnerable people element of the Council Plan 2011-15.

Implications

11. There are no financial, human resources, equalities, legal, crime and disorder, information technology, property or other implications associated with this report.

Risk Management

12. There are no risks associated with this report.

Recommendations

13. That the Committee note the information provided in Annexes A and B and ask questions on any matters arising.

Reason: To ensure compliance with scrutiny procedures and protocols.

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**Report
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Wards Affected:

All

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Annexes

Annex A - York Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust - Licence
Compliance Investigation by Monitor

Annex B – Statement, dated 31 October 2014, from York Teaching Hospital
NHS Foundation Trust regarding closure of the monitor investigation