

DECISION-MAKER:	PANEL B			
SUBJECT:	INTERIM REPORT ON THE PUBLIC CONSULTATION IN RELATION TO THE FUTURE OF BITTERNE WALK-IN SERVICE			
DATE OF DECISION:	10 FEBRUARY 2011			
REPORT OF:	CHIEF EXECUTIVE, NHS SOUTHAMPTON CITY			
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STATEMENT OF CONFIDENTIALITY

None

SUMMARY

The panel is asked note progress to date and consider if they wish to submit a formal response to the consultation on Bitterne Walk In Centre.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- (i) To note progress with the consultation including key issues raised and the PCT's responses to these
- (ii) To considered if the Panel's would like to formally respond to the consultation and the content of any response.
- (iii) To agree the PCT provides the Panel with their final proposal following analysis of the consultation responses

REASONS FOR REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS

1. To approve the PCT's consultation process and rationale for proposals following recommendations from Scrutiny Panel B's meeting in October. An interim report of the process and feedback received to date is attached, together with appendices including, stakeholder list, feedback from public meetings, full consultation document.

CONSULTATION

2. A full log of all the consultation activity is contained within the report (Appendix 2)

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

3. NHS Southampton was keen to ensure that the public consultation was based on proposals which are both realistic and transparent. A pre consultation phase was held in order to assess all options. Please see section 2 of the report.

DETAIL

4. The Panel considered the pre consultation report on Bitterne Walk-In Centre on 14th October, 2010. Following this the PCT Trust Board agreed that a full consultation should commence in November 2010. The full consultation document sets out clearly how the proposals and options for final consultation were reached (see Section 2 of the attached report).
5. In relation to the specific points raised in the Panel's response to the pre consultation discussion:
 - the public consultation has been mindful to include both members of the public from Southampton as well as areas in Hampshire where we know patients currently make use of Bitterne Walk-in Centre. (Please see Activity log, Appendix 2).
 - All Councillors had an opportunity to feedback or discuss this further with the PCT.
 - The proposals for final consultation were reduced and full closure was not included as an option.
 - Clinical and GP engagement is also referenced on the activity log and this has specifically addressed concerns in relation to GP access.

The Interim Report on Consultation to date on the Future of Bitterne Walk-in Service (appendix 1) provides details of the background to the consultation and feedback from the consultation to date.

FINANCIAL/RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Capital

6. None

Revenue

7. The calculations of estimated service costs and estimated savings are based on information at this point. Further calculations may be required depending on the outcome of the consultation in respect of any preferred option.
 - Option 1: Estimated Service cost £900K
Estimated recurrent savings £600K
 - Option 2: Estimated Service cost £1,100,000K
Estimated recurrent savings £400K

Property

8. No decisions have been made regarding use of the building whilst not in use as a WIC but we will update Panel B at a later date.

Other

9. None.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Statutory power to undertake proposals in the report:

10. The duty to undertake overview and scrutiny is set out in Section 21 of the Local Government Act 2000 and the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007.

Other Legal Implications:

11. None.

POLICY FRAMEWORK IMPLICATIONS

12. None.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Appendices

1.	Interim Report on Consultation to date on the Future of Bitterne Walk-in Service
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Documents In Members' Rooms

1.	Consultation on the future of the walk-in service provided at Bitterne Health Centre
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Background Documents

Title of Background Paper(s)

Relevant Paragraph of the Access to Information Procedure Rules / Schedule 12A allowing document to be Exempt/Confidential (if applicable)

1.	None	
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Background documents available for inspection at: N/A

KEY DECISION? No **WARDS/COMMUNITIES AFFECTED:** All