



**Lewisham**

**Clinical Commissioning Group**

**NHS Lewisham Clinical Commissioning Group  
Governing Body  
Public Forum Session  
9<sup>th</sup> July 2015, 9.00-9.30am**

**From the Governing Body:**

Dr Marc Rowland, CCG Chair  
Martin Wilkinson, CCG Chief Officer  
Diana Robbins, Lay Member  
Dr Jacky McLeod, Clinical Director

**From the Clinical Commissioning Group:**

Susanna Masters, Corporate Director  
Charles Malcolm-Smith, Head of Strategy & Organisational Development (notes)  
Mark Drinkwater, Engagement Officer

**Also in attendance:**

Valery Lawrence, Communications Manager (South East CSU)

**Three members of the public attended.**

**Question 1**

The Our Healthier South East London consolidated strategy is included within the board papers and the Issues paper has also been widely disseminated. While the two documents are very different in the level of detail they contain, it is not clear from either when there would be a consultation on a major service change. When would this arise?

*CCG Response*

*These are draft proposals, which have had patient and public representative input all the way through their development.*

*There are two requirements for the CCG, statutorily and from good practice, firstly that we carry out on-going engagement with the public on the work we're doing and our plans.*

*Secondly, a formal 12 week consultation would be required in the event of significant service change. This is judged by the local authority overview and scrutiny*

*committee, in Lewisham's case the Healthier Communities Select Committee (HCSC). It is likely that the CCG would put forward change proposals, and the committee would determine whether or not they were a significant change that required public consultation.*

**Follow-up Questions:** How do you define significant change? Are there indicators such as costs, numbers of patients affected, or changes to organisations?

*CCG Response*

*Significant service change is not clearly defined and that is why it is an independent decision that would be made by the HCSC.*

*Beyond consultation, the CCG is committed to involving the public, for instance as we have shown in extensive engagement on our CCG strategy, on our commissioning intentions, as well as on-going activity and events such as Your Voice Counts.*

*Our annual report summary also provides a useful basis for understanding our strategic direction and priorities.*

## **Question 2**

Patient and Public Voice representatives from Lewisham on the south east London Clinical Leadership Groups have not had a satisfactory experience. Would the CCG meet with these representatives in order to hear their experience that could be passed to the OHSEL programme?

*CCG Response*

*We would encourage those representatives to contact the programme office directly if there are areas that need to be improved.*

## **Question 3**

The OHSEL consolidated strategy includes figures and assumptions for savings and activity, are these confirmed?

*CCG Response*

*These figures are a first pass and subject to refinement.*

## **Question 4**

The consolidated strategy seems to suggest that 400 beds will be cut. Is that correct?

*CCG Response*

*We are happy to clarify that that is not the proposal. All the proposals are subject to further detailed work, but the expectation is that the overall bed provision will not be significantly different from the existing position, rather the balance will change between overnight and day bed cases, and with community beds.*

#### **Question 5**

What will be the impact of changes in social care funding on being able to provide more community based care?

*CCG Response*

*Further development will include whole system financial impact assessment.*

#### **Question 6**

What are the detailed resource implications for implementing the strategy? What will be the staffing and financial requirements, and how will it be evaluated from a clinical basis to show whether it is working?

*CCG Response*

*Further financial analysis, a workforce supporting strategy and defined outcomes will be included in the next phases of the programme*

#### **Question 7**

What are the timescales for the programme?

*CCG Response*

*The current phases of the programme plan are shown in the draft consolidated strategy. There will be more work over the next few weeks to firm up on scheduling.*

#### **Question 8**

What is the engagement event scheduled in Lewisham for 16<sup>th</sup> July?

*CCG Response*

*This event is where a cross-section of the population have been invited to join a discussion about the issues paper and the development of the wider strategy. It is intentionally by invitation to ensure that we are reaching people who are not normally involved in this type of event. However, we have been able to provide a few places for some representatives of local groups.*