



Essex County Council



# Suffolk and North East Essex Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee

<b>14:00</b>	<b>Thursday, 19 September 2019</b>	<b>King Edmund Chamber, Endeavour House, Ipswich IP1 2BX,</b>
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- 5 Update on the development of the Suffolk and North East Essex Integrated Care System (ICS) 5 year plan.**  
JHOSC members to receive a verbal update from Dr Richard Watson, Deputy Chief Officer Ipswich and East Suffolk CCG, North East Essex CCG and West Suffolk CCG.
- 6 Urgent Business**  
To consider any matter which in the opinion of the Chairman should be considered in public by reason of special circumstances (to be specified) as a matter of urgency.
- 7 Urgent Exempt Business**  
To consider in private any other matter which in the opinion of the Chairman should be considered by reason of special circumstances (to be specified) as a matter of urgency.
- 8 Date of Next Meeting**  
The date of the next meeting of this committee has not yet been confirmed.

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## **Agenda item 1**

**Committee:** Suffolk and North East Essex Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee

**Enquiries to:** Judith Dignum, Democratic Services Officer

### **Membership, Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest**

#### **Recommendations:**

To note

1. Membership as shown below
2. Apologies and substitutions
3. Declarations of interest to be made by Members in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct

#### **Membership**

(Quorum: 4 total, with at least 2 members from each county authority)

##### **Essex**

Councillor A Brown	Chairman
Councillor A Wood	
Councillor D Harris	
Councillor A Erskine	

##### **Suffolk**

Councillor J Fleming	Vice-Chairman
Councillor H Armitage	
Councillor I Lockington	
Councillor M McLaren	





Minutes of the Essex and Suffolk Joint Health Scrutiny Committee on the Sustainability and Transformation Partnership for North East Essex, Ipswich and East and West Suffolk Meeting held on 13 March 2019 at 10.33 am at Colchester Town Hall, High Street, Colchester

Present: Essex

Councillor Anne Brown, Essex County Council  
Councillor Andy Erskine, Essex County Council  
Councillor Dave Harris, Essex County Council  
Councillor Andy Wood, Essex County Council

Suffolk

Councillor Helen Armitage, Suffolk County Council  
Councillor Peter Coleman, Suffolk Coastal District Council  
Councillor Jessica Fleming, Suffolk County Council  
Councillor Elizabeth Gibson-Harries, Mid Suffolk District Council

Supporting officers present: Susan Cassidy, Democratic Services Officer, Suffolk County Council  
Theresa Harden, Business Manager, Democratic Services, Suffolk County Council  
Peter Randall, Senior Democratic Services Officer, Essex County Council

### **1. Public Participation Session**

There were no applications to speak at the public participation session.

### **2. Apologies for absence and substitutions**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Colin Sargeant, substituted by Councillor Andy Erskine

### **3. Declarations of interest and dispensations**

Councillor Andy Wood declared a non-pecuniary interest in Agenda Item 5 'Update on the development of the Suffolk and north East Essex Integrated Care System (ICS)' and Agenda Item 6 'East Suffolk and North Essex NHS Foundation

Trust – Draft Strategy 2019/24’ as he sat on the Council of Governors of the Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust.

Councillor Peter Coleman declared a non-pecuniary interest in Agenda Item 5 ‘Update on the development of the Suffolk and north East Essex Integrated Care System (ICS)’ and Agenda Item 6 ‘East Suffolk and North Essex NHS Foundation Trust – Draft Strategy 2019/24’ as he was a member of the Council of Governors at Norfolk and Suffolk NHS Foundation Trust.

#### **4. Minutes of the previous meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on 30 November 2018 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

#### **5. Update on the development of the Suffolk and North East Essex Integrated Care System (ICS)**

At Agenda Item 5 the joint committee considered a report providing an update on the development of the Suffolk and North East Essex Integrated Care System (ICS) following the recommendations made by the joint committee on 30 November 2018 in relation to the development of the ICS. The report also updated the Committee on progress made in relation to the development of the Draft Stage Two Governance Framework for the ICS.

The joint committee was joined at the meeting by the following witnesses:

Rebecca Driver, Director of Communications and Engagement, ESNEFT

Dr Shane Gordon, Director of Strategy, ESNEFT

Wendy Herber, Suffolk Community Foundation

Susannah Howard, STP Programme Director

Nick Hulme, STP Lead and Chief Executive of ESNEFT

Caroline Procter, STP Primary Care Programme Manager

Simon Morgan, STP Head of Communications

Maddie Baker-Woods, Chief Operating Officer, NHS Ipswich & East Suffolk CCG

The Chairman invited witnesses to comment on the information provided and highlight any key points they considered the joint committee should be aware of.

The Chairman invited the joint committee to ask questions and comment on both the written evidence and the information provided to them by the witnesses.

**Decision:** The joint committee agreed:

- a) to request that the STP Board should take steps to maximise opportunities for engagement with organisations across the wider health and care system on the development of the ICS and neighbourhood integration;
- b) to highlight the importance of ensuring that organisations receiving referrals from statutory bodies under the social prescribing initiative had access to adequate resourcing in order to undertake this role;
- c) to ask the STP Board representative for the community and voluntary sector to circulate to councillors in Suffolk and Essex further information about the criteria for the higher ambitions fund and how voluntary and community sector



organisations could apply, once this information was available, so that councillors can raise awareness in their communities;

- d) to highlight to the STP Head of Communications that the circulation list for the “Can Do Health and Care” Newsletter will need to be updated following any changes resulting from the District and Borough council elections on 2 May 2019;
- e) whilst noting the comments from the STP Lead, to encourage Health and Wellbeing Boards to consider whether there are opportunities for a more flexible use of Better Care Fund monies to improve outcomes; and
- f) to seek further information on what action was being taken to align budgets to consider at a future meeting.

**Reason for Decision:**

- a) The joint committee explored concerns about variable stakeholder engagement on the STP and the ICS process across the STP footprint. The joint committee was advised by witnesses that the Local Medical Committee (LMC) Chairs had expressed differing views with regard to the level of engagement and that the new GP contracts would give local primary care a much more influential role. The Committee was advised that engagement had also taken place at neighbourhood level through the alliances and at a strategic level through the ICS. It was noted that discussions on delivery of care which had taken place through the primary care networks had also been welcomed. Nick Hulme, STP Lead and Chief Executive of ESNEFT stressed the importance of involving mental health services, borough and district councils and the voluntary sector in the engagement process. The Committee, in recognising the importance of continuing effective engagement, requested that the STP Board take steps to maximise opportunities for engagement with organisations across the wider health and care system on the development of the ICS and neighbourhood integration.
- b) The joint committee noted that it was hoped the social prescribing initiative would be a successful new way of working but caution was raised with regard to those community groups and charities receiving referrals having adequate resources to respond to the increase in demand. Witnesses advised that demand would be tracked in order to understand local issues. The Committee acknowledged the importance of ensuring that voluntary and community sector organisations receiving referrals under the social prescribing initiative had the capacity to undertake this role and ensuring the level of service provided did not drop due to increased demand.
- c) The joint committee noted that local community and voluntary sector organisations would be invited to submit, via a grants programme, proposals for projects where they believed a broader contribution could be made to achieving the ‘Higher Ambitions’ prioritised by the alliances. The joint committee had also noted that the funding and information on how to apply was to be circulated to local community and voluntary sector organisations in April 2019. The joint committee requested that councillors be added to the circulation list for further information on the criteria and how voluntary and community sector organisations could apply so that awareness could be raised by councillors in their local communities

- d) The joint committee noted that District and Borough council elections were to take place on 2 May 2019 and, in recognising the importance of councillors being kept up to date with developments via the “Can Do Health and Care” Newsletter, highlighted the need to update the distribution list to reflect any changes;
- e) The joint committee, in noting the plans for a national review of the Better Care Fund, queried whether there were opportunities for a more flexible use of Better Care Fund monies in order to improve outcomes.
- f) The joint committee noted that the NHS ten-year plan made reference to continued support for *“local approaches to blending health and social care budgets where councils and CCGs agree this makes sense”* and considered that further scrutiny on what action was being taken to address this would be required at a future meeting.

**Alternative options:** None considered.

**Declarations of interest:** Councillor Andy Wood declared a non-pecuniary interest as he sat on the Council of Governors of the Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust.

Councillor Peter Coleman declared a non-pecuniary interest as he was a member of the Council of Governors at Norfolk and Suffolk NHS Foundation Trust.

**Dispensations:** None reported.

## 6. **East Suffolk and North Essex NHS Foundation Trust – Draft Strategy 2019/24**

At Agenda Item 8 the joint committee considered a report which provided an update on the developments taking place at East Suffolk and North East Essex NHS Foundation Trust, following the merger of Ipswich and Colchester hospitals in July 2018, focusing on the Trust’s Draft Strategy for 2019/24.

The joint committee was joined at the meeting by the following witnesses:

Nick Hulme, STP Lead and Chief Executive of ESNEFT

Dr Shane Gordon, Director of Strategy, ESNEFT

Rebecca Driver, Director of Communications and Engagement, ESNEFT

The Committee received a PowerPoint presentation on the draft strategy 2019-24 which can be found under ‘Tabled Information’ at: [Essex and Suffolk Joint Health Scrutiny Committee: 13 March 2019](#)

The Chairman invited witnesses to comment on the written evidence provided and highlight any key points they considered the joint committee should be aware of.

The Chairman invited the joint committee to ask questions and comment on both the written evidence and the information provided to them by the witnesses.

**Decision:** The joint committee, in thanking the representatives of ESNEFT for their helpful presentation on the ESNEFT Draft Strategy 2019-25, agreed that the developments taking place under the Strategy should be kept under review,

to ensure that any statutory consultation required with the joint committee took place at the appropriate time.

**Reason for Decision:** Nick Hulme, Chief Executive of ESNEFT provided the committee with an update on the Draft Strategy 2019/24 confirming that consultation would take place as appropriate before any final decisions were made. He advised the joint committee that services would only be moved if there was; evidence of strong clinical benefit, improved access, reduced waiting times or if there were workforce issues. The joint committee heard that clinical care was becoming more specialised and given the extraordinary pressure on the acute sector, beds for elective care could not always be protected. Nick Hulme explained that the £69.3m additional capital resource available via the STP/ICS to support the reconfiguration of services was a huge investment and consideration had to be given on how to use this to provide maximum benefit and advised that outputs could increase by separating emergency work and planned elective care. Nick Hulme confirmed that the Trust was now in a much better financial position being on track to deliver a 'control total' and paid tribute to his staff for achieving this.

Dr Shane Gordon considered that the development of the strategy was at a very important stage, encompassing the whole of the new organisation. He explained that the strategy was currently in draft but would be approved at the end of June 2019 and when finalised, would reflect accurately as possible the direction for the next 5 years, aligning closely with other strategies. Dr Gordon advised that the strategy needed to address the challenges in recruitment and he also stressed the importance of the use of technology, such as the Patient Portal, allowing more time for face to face consultation for those patients requiring it. Dr Gordon referred to the importance of the Trust's partnership role and its responsibility to work in an integrated way.

**Alternative options:** None considered.

**Declarations of interest:** Councillor Andy Wood declared a non-pecuniary interest as he sat on the Council of Governors of the Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust.

Councillor Peter Coleman declared a non-pecuniary interest as he was a member of the Council of Governors at Norfolk and Suffolk NHS Foundation Trust.

**Dispensations:** None reported.

## **7. Forward Work Programme**

At Agenda Item 7 the joint committee considered its forward work programme.

**Decision:** The joint committee agreed:

- a) to ask the Senior Democratic Services Officer, Essex and Business Manager (Democratic Services), Suffolk to put together a draft list of potential items for the forward work programme, for the new joint committee's consideration following the District and Borough Council elections in May 2019;
- b) that it was important to ensure appropriate representation on the joint committee from the west Suffolk going forward;

- c) that a workshop should take place to provide induction for new members and briefing/update for current members of the joint committee in June/July 2019 in Ipswich.

**Reason for Decision:**

- a) The joint committee noted that the pace of developments in the ICS and ESNEFT would accelerate and therefore so would the areas for possible scrutiny going forward. Officers suggested patient experience and patient transport be included on the list of items for future consideration. It was also noted that more task and finish groups could be set up to look at issues outside of formal committee meetings.
- b) The joint committee considered that the absence of a member who represented people in the west of Suffolk should be addressed to ensure the whole of Suffolk had adequate representation on the joint committee going forward. The joint committee noted that the Suffolk Health Scrutiny Committee should take this into consideration when nominating its future members to the joint committee.
- c) The joint committee noted, as a possible outcome to the District and Borough council elections taking place on 2 May 2019 and, some current members not standing, that there would be changes in membership of the joint committee. In recognising the importance of both the induction for new members and briefings/updates for ongoing members, the joint committee agreed that a workshop should be arranged to take place in June/July 2019 and that this workshop would take place in Ipswich.

**Alternative options:** None considered.

**Declarations of interest:** None declared.

**Dispensations:** None reported.

**8. Date of Next Meeting**

The joint committee agreed that an appropriate date for the next meeting Committee should be discussed and agreed outside the meeting and published once this was available.

*The meeting closed at 1.30 pm.*

Chairman

<b>Report title:</b> Building for Better Care – Update for the Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee		(SNEE/01/19)
<b>Report to:</b> Suffolk and North East Essex Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee		
<b>Report author:</b> Rebecca Driver, Director of Communications and Engagement		
<b>Date:</b> 19/09/19		<b>For:</b> Discussion
<b>Enquiries to:</b> Judith Dignum, Democratic Services Officer		
<b>County Divisions affected:</b> North East Essex & Suffolk		

### 1. Purpose of report

To provide the Suffolk and North East Essex Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee with an update on planned reconfiguration associated with the £69.3 million capital monies allocated to the East Suffolk and North East Essex Integrated Care System ('the ICS') by NHS England (NHSE). This programme is called 'Building for Better Care'.

### 2. Session aims

Members of the Suffolk and North East Essex Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee are asked to note the attached report (Appendix A).

### 3. List of appendices

Appendix A - Building for Better Care – Update for the Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee



## **Building for Better Care – Update for the Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

**Meeting on Thursday 19 September 2019**

### **1. Introduction**

1.1 The purpose of this paper is to provide the Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee with an update on planned reconfiguration associated with the £69.3 million capital monies allocated to the East Suffolk and North East Essex Integrated Care System ('the ICS') by NHS England (NHSE). This programme is called 'Building for Better Care'.

1.2 It has been agreed that this money will be used to develop:

- urgent and emergency care on both main hospital sites
- new elective care facilities including an orthopaedic elective care centre

1.3 This paper sets out progress to date and specifically updates the Committee on the requirement for public consultation, and the associated governance structure for this work.

### **2. Background**

2.1 The ICS has developed a strategic approach to providing health care, concentrating on what patients need instead of how hospitals work.

2.2 We know that people have better outcomes when they're at home, so our aim is to provide support that keeps them close to home for as much of the time as possible, using hospitals only when there is no alternative. This means working in partnership across the health and care system – GPs, mental health and community services providers, hospital services, social care and voluntary services. This work continues across our ICS, through the work of the Alliances in Ipswich and East Suffolk, and North East Essex.

2.3 For people who do have to come to our hospitals, system partners have committed to provide high quality care with the right level of clinical expertise, improved buildings and facilities and safe systems and processes. We have said we will reduce waiting times for planned care and use technology to coordinate care more effectively. And we will modernise our diagnostic and consulting services to provide care as efficiently and consistently as possible.

2.4 ESNEFT has developed and approved a new strategy, which was formally ratified at a public Board meeting in August, and is now moving into the strategy implementation phase, working with all ICS partners. This strategy is called the 'Future Care Model' and the implementation phase will involve public engagement about operational plans.

2.5 Significant communication and engagement activity will take place over the next 12-24 months around the implementation of the Future Care Model. Specifically, work that will

be completed to support the use of the £69.3m STP capital. This work is around urgent and emergency care, and elective care.

## 2.6 Urgent and emergency care

The build and opening of urgent treatment centres co-located with the emergency departments at both Colchester and Ipswich hospitals with improvements to emergency care pathways and the provision of enhanced diagnostics at Ipswich Hospital.

The model of care for emergency patients in future will be a co-located urgent treatment centre (UTC) and emergency department (ED), with improved proximity to other allied departments and diagnostics. The same model is being developed at both Colchester and Ipswich hospitals. The intention is to create a 'single front door' access for all emergency and urgent care with patient being directed to the most appropriate service to meet their individual needs.

At Ipswich hospital, the new ED and UTC centre will mean the relocation of the current ED slightly further north on the Ipswich Hospital site. A planning application for this work was submitted to Ipswich Borough council on 8 August 2019. We hope that construction will begin in spring 2020.

Building work for the urgent care centre at the front of the emergency department at Colchester Hospital is progressing to plan. This is being wholly funded through the retail developments on the site and is expected to open in October 2019. Work on developing a workforce model for the UTC is underway.

## 2.7 Elective care

This includes the development of proposals to improve capacity for elective care, and a public consultation about the development of a single elective care centre for inpatient orthopaedic surgery.

## 2 Requirement for engagement and public consultation

3.1 The urgent and emergency care project requires further engagement with staff across the system, and with the public. There is no change to the site where services will be provided, only an enhancement of provision and a change in the way patients flow through urgent and emergency care on both sites. Therefore engagement alone will be sufficient for this work, and continues the narrative begun around both the ICS and the merger.

3.2 A stakeholder engagement session was held at Ipswich Hospital in July for local residents who live adjacent to the hospital site. The proposals were well received. Other engagement sessions have been held to allow us to hear from key stakeholders, patients and visitors for them to share any comments they may have.

3.3 The elective care centre is a different matter. This could affect up to 1,300 orthopaedic patients per year at Ipswich hospital or 1,569 at Colchester Hospital. This is a total of 2,892 per year. The proposal is to develop a new single elective care centre for adult inpatient orthopaedic surgery with the potential to become the regional centre of excellence for inpatient orthopaedic surgery. The centre will be built at either Colchester or Ipswich Hospital.



3.4 There are no plans to make any changes to the continuing availability on both main sites of orthopaedic outpatient care, diagnostics, day surgery, trauma care and follow-up care (which may also be provided in a community setting). However, this new centre would affect around 1,330 patients (if sited at Colchester), and around 1,500 patients (if sited at Ipswich) for the inpatient admission for surgery only. This means at 1.3% or 1.5% of almost 100,000 elective inpatients treated each year will receive their elective care at a different site from where it would previously have been provided. All other associated care during each orthopaedic episode will continue to be provided at either the Ipswich or Colchester site.

3.5 ESNEFT and the two CCGs have been advised that this would constitute a 'substantial variation' in the provision of the service. This means there is a legal duty to consult the local authority through our Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (JHOSC). ESNEFT has also been advised by NHSE that its plans would constitute a substantial change and that it must satisfy NHSI/E's assurance process and deliver a public consultation.

3.6 Because the wider ICS plans constitute substantial change, a Joint Health and Overview Scrutiny Committee (JHOSC) has been created by the local authorities in whose areas the changes are proposed in order consult on the matter.

3.7 At a meeting of the JHOSC on 13 March, ESNEFT and the CCGs confirmed that a public consultation was likely to be required for the elective care centre. This was well received and well understood by councillors present.

## **4 Pre-consultation**

4.1 The pre-consultation period for the new orthopaedic elective care centre began in May. Pre-consultation engagement stakeholder events have been held through July and August. These have included MPs, staff and patient groups, plus nine pre consultation events across North East Essex and Ipswich and East Suffolk. A full report on this pre consultation engagement work will be published in due course. Initial feedback suggests, as we expected, that travel will be the most significant issue in this public consultation. So far, the events have been very well received.

We will also rely on those who have participated in pre consultation to advise us on content of the consultation document and the associated questionnaire, to make sure that it is as accessible and comprehensible as possible.

### **4.2 Eastern region Clinical Senate**

The Clinical Senate will review the orthopaedic elective care plans on 18 September. They will have been particularly interested in our clinical and workforce models, intensive and high dependency care, transport, patient views and commissioner support.

### **4.3 Travel impact assessment for the ECC**

Whilst plans involve consolidating elective orthopaedic inpatient surgery onto a single site, which will deliver significant patient benefits, they also involve maintaining orthopaedic outpatients, diagnostics, day surgery, trauma surgery and follow-up care at both main hospitals. However, they also mean that some patients will face extended travel time so to manage this risk, a travel impact assessment is being completed.

## **5 Timetable for a public consultation**

5.1 The timetable is still under development, but the plan is to launch the public consultation in spring 2020.

## **6 Preparation for public consultation so far**

6.1 Good progress has been made so far to prepare for a public consultation, working in partnership across our system. This is being led by a small project team.

6.2 Members of the team have so far:

- Met with the Suffolk and Essex local authority scrutiny officers to discuss how we work with the JHOSC from pre-consultation onwards. A briefing for new HOSC members in Suffolk and Essex was completed in July, plus a separate briefing for the JHOSC chair and vice chair.
- Secured the services of an independent academic to support the statutory bodies through the three phases of the consultation.
- Met with NHS England and talked through the current Clinical Senate and NHS England reconfiguration assurance processes to enable us to develop the timeline for the consultation further.
- Met with Healthwatch Suffolk and Essex to discuss how they can support our pre-consultation work.
- Ongoing meetings with clinical teams across Colchester and Ipswich Hospitals.
- Met with a number of local MPs and will brief Ipswich Borough Council on 23 September.

## **7 Governance**

7.1 Key to the success of this public consultation will be an appropriate governance structure to oversee the work.

7.2 The Senior Responsible Officers (SROs) for the public consultation are Ed Garratt, Chief Officer, CCGs and Nick Hulme, Chief Executive, ESNEFT.

7.3 A new Committee, entitled the Joint Reconfiguration Oversight Group, leads the work to develop the public consultation. This will make recommendations to the two CCG Governing Bodies and to the ESNEFT Board, who will jointly oversee the governance of the public consultation, and the decision making and approvals process. It has met monthly since May 19 and is making good progress.

## **8 Conclusion and Recommendations**

8.1 This paper has set out progress to date on plans to spend the STP capital allocation of £69.3 million, which will involve a public consultation.

8.3 The committee is being asked to note the progress of this work so far.

**Rebecca Driver**

**Director of Communications and Engagement, ESNEFT**

**September 2019**