

JOINT COMMISSIONING COMMITTEE

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AGENDA ITEM NUMBER:	Item 6.1
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PRIMARY CARE TRANSFORMATION FUND UPDATE

PURPOSE/ACTION REQUIRED:	To Receive & Note
CONSULTATION AND/OR INVOLVEMENT PROCESS:	The paper will be shared with the Governing Body and CoM
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION:	<i>Is this document releasable under FOI at this time? If not why not? (decision making guide being developed)</i> Public

1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT:

The report provides the JCC with an up-date on the Primary Care Transformation Fund, as of January 2016.

2. STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES SUPPORTED BY THIS REPORT:

Continue to improve the quality of services	x
Reduce unwarranted variations in services	
Deliver the best outcomes for every patient	
Improve patient experience	x
Reduce the inequalities gap in North Lincolnshire	

3. ASSURANCES TO THE JOINT COMMISSIONING COMMITTEE

4. IMPACT ON RISK ASSURANCE FRAMEWORK:		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> x
5. IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT – SUSTAINABILITY:		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> x
At the present time it is not possible to assess the potential impact on sustainability.					
6. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> x
7. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> x
Not at this moment in time, however, depending on the outcome of the bidding process there may be some resource implications for the CCG.					
8. EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT:		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> x
9. PROPOSED PUBLIC & PATIENT INVOLVEMENT AND COMMUNICATIONS:		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> x
It is anticipated that individual practices will consult with the practice PPG on proposals to expend services.					
10. RECOMMENDATIONS:					
The Joint Commissioning Committee is asked to:					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Receive and Note the up-date. 					

North Lincolnshire CCG - Up-date to the Joint Commissioning Committee on the Primary Care Transformation Fund – Approach to Funding 2016 to 2019

Background

In December 2014, NHS England announced the availability of £1bn over four years to improve access and the range of services available in primary care, through investment in premises, technology, the workforce and support for working at scale across practices. The first year of funding deployed in 2015/16 was awarded to support a range of initiatives, including hundreds of schemes from individual practices to improve their estate.

NHS E has now set out the arrangements for this fund for 2016/17 and beyond. To send a clear signal that the fund is designed to improve services for patients it will be known as the Primary Care Transformation Fund (PCTF) (previously Primary Care Infrastructure Fund).

The bulk of the fund will be deployed to improve estates and accelerate digital and technological developments in general practice, and will be subject to an initial bidding process.

CCGs are required to submit proposals to NHS England by the end of February 2016, requesting financial support for investment in premises or technology which will increase the capacity of general practice and out-of-hospital care. Proposals should be in line with broader CCG plans for delivering joined up out of hospital services for patients in their local communities. Further information about the process for submission and criteria used to assess proposals was expected in December 2015. This will be published in the near future.

The CCG are expected to make recommendations to NHS England to support the funding of improvements or developments in practices in the NL CCG area, by the end of February 2016.

The recommendations will need to demonstrate that they meet one or more of the criteria set out below:

- increased capacity for primary care services out of hospital;
- commitment to a wider range of services as set out in the CCG commissioning

- intentions to reduce unplanned admissions to hospital;
- improving seven day access to effective care;
- increased training capacity.

CCG recommendations should reflect the local estates strategies that are being developed for December 2015, demonstrate engagement across the local health economy and should be accompanied by phased funding plans (limited to 31 March 2019) for recommended developments, which take into account their long-term affordability.

Local initiatives

To date the CCG has been approached for support in relation to the PCTF by 4 practices:

West Common Lane

Significant expansion of existing site – from 407sq m to approximately 1250 sq m.

Ancora Medical Practice

Approved by NHS E in principle during 2015/16 funding round for prioritisation for the 16/17 funding round (due to being un-deliverable in the 15/16 time frame). The proposal is to develop and extend branch surgery as a training facility and improved access to primary care.

Riverside Surgery

Approved by NHS E in principle during 2015/16 funding round for prioritisation for the 16/17 funding round (due to being un-deliverable in the 15/16 time frame). The proposal is to extend existing premises to include a minor surgery suite, and support community based out of hospital clinics.

South Axholme

Limited information at time of writing the report – premises expansion.

In addition, other practices may also submit bids – communications will be going out to ensure that all practices have seen correspondence from NHS E.

A spreadsheet has been drafted to support the CCG in prioritising support for proposals that best fit with the development and strategic direction of primary care in North Lincolnshire; this will include an assessment of affordability and value for money (see Excel draft prioritisation model).