

Transforming Community Services – Plymouth Provider Services Integrated Business Plan

Transforming Community Services was an initiative which commenced under the previous government which tasked all Primary Care Trusts to split their service provision of community health services from a commissioning function. It has been agreed that in Plymouth the transfer of services to a new social enterprise organisation named Plymouth Provider Services would be the best way to provide these community services in the future.

The integrated business plan outlines how the transition and development of a new provider organisation in will take place in Plymouth. The entirety of the document has been provided to members of the panel in order to inform the panels work programme for the coming year.

Following discussions between the Chair of the panel and members of senior management from NHS Plymouth it has been agreed that the panel, at this first meeting considering the Plymouth Provider Services Business Plan, will focus attention on the proposed governance structures and the overarching vision, values, mission and strategic objectives of the new provider organisation.

Plymouth Provider Services - Strategy

As members will be aware, the city has recently adopted overarching priorities to guide key partners across all sectors in their delivery and resource planning. These are based on a firm, up to date and robust evidence base contained within the Plymouth Report, and have agreed targets associated with them. The panel is well placed to consider how the proposed organisation will contribute to delivering against these priorities.

Plymouth Priorities
Delivering Growth
Raising Aspiration
Reducing Inequalities
Value for communities

The panel may wish to consider how these priorities are addressed within the new provider service business plans, paying particular regard to Chapter Three of the business plan and the strategic objectives contained within it (pages 45 - 60 of the agenda pack).

Plymouth Provider Service – Governance and Leadership

As a democratic body the panel will be able to add value to the proposals when considering the constitution of the proposed Boards within the new provider, and their relationship with existing community, partnership, performance and audit bodies already utilised by partners within the city.

The panel may wish to pay particular attention to chapter nine of the business plan (pages 61-76 of the agenda pack).

Future Scrutiny

The full business plan has been attached to the agenda as the panel will have an ongoing role in engaging with the organisation over the coming year, identifying risks and responding to issues related to the transitional arrangements as they occur.

Members of the panel may wish to suggest further areas for scrutiny after considering the other aspects of the business plan, ensuring that during that during the transitional period patient care continues to be provided to the highest possible levels.