

POLICY OVERVIEW COMMITTEE
10 SEPTEMBER 2019

URGENT CARE SERVICES IN DARTFORD, GRAVESEND AND SWANLEY

1. Summary

1.1 The report brings to Members' attention a consultation by the Dartford, Gravesend and Swanley Clinical Commissioning Group about the provision of urgent care services in the area and seeks Members' views on the Council's response.

2. RECOMMENDATION

2.1 That Members consider the content of the Dartford, Gravesend and Swanley Clinical Commissioning Group's consultation about the provision of urgent care services in the area, as set out at Appendices A and B and agree the Council's response.

3. Background and Discussion

3.1 The Dartford, Gravesham and Swanley Clinical Commissioning Group (the CCG) has launched a public consultation to help inform changes they wish to make to the delivery of urgent care services in the CCG area. The consultation is open until 4 November 2019.

3.2 Urgent care services are defined as the care needed to treat illnesses and injuries that are not life threatening but require an urgent clinical assessment or treatment on the same day. The CCG wishes to bring together such services to create a new Urgent Treatment Centre by the autumn of 2020 and has identified two possible locations – Gravesham Community Hospital or Darent Valley Hospital. The consultation sets out the pros and cons of each option and seeks views.

3.3 Members are invited to consider the information provided at Appendices A and B, supported by local knowledge and agree a formal response.

4. Financial, legal, staffing and other administrative implications and risk assessments

Financial Implications	None arising from this report.
Legal Implications	As set out in the body of the report.
Staffing Implications	None specifically.
Administrative Implications	None specifically.
Risk Assessment	No uncertainties and/or constraints.

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5. Details of Exempt Information Category

Not applicable

6. Appendices

Appendix A – CCG Press Release

Appendix B – CCG Consultation (for on-line completion only)

BACKGROUND PAPERS

<u>Documents consulted</u>	<u>Date / File Ref</u>	<u>Report Author</u>	<u>Section and Directorate</u>	<u>Exempt Information Category</u>
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