17 November 2015

Dear Stakeholder

Re: Scoping health services for population growth in South of Oxfordshire (Didcot/Wantage/Grove) – a discussion document

I have pleasure in attaching a discussion document on scoping health services for the population growth in South of Oxfordshire. This has been developed to engage stakeholders, stimulate thinking, offer some options, invite more and explore how we should create an engaged approach and process.

The system-wide Transformation Board has been looking at the future strategic direction of Health and Social Care services in Oxfordshire. This has developed thinking as to our overall direction of travel. Meanwhile, locality thinking has evolved around areas of population need. This is particularly so for the population growth in the South of Oxfordshire.

The aim of this discussion document is to start to outline some of the possible options that could be considered as part of the discussion.

Stakeholders are asked to consider the following:

1) Are the options 1-6 described above the correct options to be considered when addressing health services for the population growth in South of Oxfordshire?
2) Are there any more options which should be considered as part of this scoping document?
3) The preferred option will be agreed using pre-agreed criteria (possibly patient safety, cost, available site, deliverability, population coverage). Are these the correct criteria? Should some of the criteria hold more weighting than others?

This paper will be an engagement and discussion document for four weeks from 17 November 2015 to 15 December 2015. After this date full details of the next steps in the process will be confirmed.

Please send comments back to Julia Stackhouse on cscsu.talkinghealth@nhs.net or 01865 334638 or FAO Julia Stackhouse, Jubilee House, Oxford Business Park South, Oxford, OX4 2LH.

Yours sincerely

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