

REPORT FROM SOUTH READING CLINICAL COMMISSIONING GROUP (SRCCG) AND NORTH
& WEST READING CLINICAL COMMISSIONING GROUP (NWRCCG)

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1. PURPOSE OF REPORT AND EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report follows previous Health and Wellbeing Board papers on the development of the Berkshire West Primary Care Strategy. Following further engagement with the public, the strategy has now been signed off by the Joint Primary Care Co-Commissioning Committee on which the Health and Wellbeing Board is represented. The wider Health and Wellbeing Board are now asked to endorse the principles set out in the strategy, a copy of which is included with this paper.

The CCGs would also like to highlight that we have applied to move to a fully-delegated co-commissioning arrangement with effect from 1st April 2016. We believe that this will have a positive impact on the development of local primary care services, putting us in a stronger position to implement the vision described in the strategy.

2. RECOMMENDED ACTION

The Health and Wellbeing Board is asked to note and endorse the Berkshire West Primary Care Strategy.

3. POLICY CONTEXT

The Berkshire West Primary Care Strategy reflects the models of care described in NHS England's *Five Year Forward View*.

4. CONTRIBUTION TO STRATEGIC AIMS

The Primary Care Strategy and the approach to primary care commissioning described within it will support delivery of the Berkshire West CCGs' Strategic Plan.

5. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND INFORMATION

The CCGs have engaged with the public throughout the development of the Strategy. This has intensified in recent months with the distribution of a summary document for patients, a programme of public events and meetings and online engagement through the CCGs' websites. A full engagement report will shortly be published on our websites alongside the strategy itself. This will set out how patients' views have influenced the development of the strategy. It is intended that this initial engagement now develops into an ongoing dialogue with the public regarding specific projects and initiatives as we move towards implementation. Should specific changes to individual practices be proposed the CCGs will also ensure that practices fulfil their responsibility to consult with their registered patients.

6. EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Equality Impact Assessments will be carried out as appropriate for all decisions made under co-commissioning arrangements and in respect of any service changes proposed as a result of the implementation of the Primary Care Strategy.

7. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Under the Health and Social Care Act (2012), responsibility for the commissioning of primary care services sits with NHS England. However, the National Health Services Act 2006 (as amended) ("NHS Act") provides, at section 13Z, that NHS England's functions may be delegated to CCGs.

8. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

9. BACKGROUND PAPERS

Berkshire West Primary Care Strategy (attached)

Five Year Forward View [NHS England » Five Year Forward View](#)