

Local Members' Interest
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## Healthy Staffordshire Select Committee – 15 July 2019

### East Staffordshire CCG Community Services Procurement

#### Recommendation

1. To consider the information provided and constructively challenge.

#### Report of South East Locality Staffordshire and Stoke on Trent CCGs

### Summary

#### What is the Select Committee being asked to do and why?

2. The Select Committee is asked to:
  - (i) Receive the report and;
  - (ii) Be assured that appropriate action is being taken to secure ongoing provision of safe, high quality community services for the population of East Staffordshire CCG.

### Report

#### Background

3. Following an extensive public engagement and consultation process in 2014/15, East Staffordshire Clinical Commissioning Group (ESCCG) entered into a 7 year, fixed priced, prime contractor contract with Virgin Healthcare Services Limited (VCSL) in June 2016. This was an innovative contract in which VCSL was procured to be responsible for and lead the delivery of a range of services across primary, community and secondary care to deliver improved healthcare outcomes for patients. This was known as "the Improving Lives Contract"
4. In June 2018 VCSL issued two partial termination notices to ESCCG, terminating the acute, Out of Hours and NHS 111 with effect from June 2019. These services have now been safely transferred back to the acute trusts, NHS 111 and Out of Hours providers accordingly.
5. In April 2019 VCSL issued a full contract termination notice to East Staffordshire CCG to exit the residual community services in the Improving Lives Contract with effect from 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020. The CCG is now commencing a procurement process to secure an alternative provider to deliver these community services for its population from April 2020.

## Procurement Process

6. The CCG has obligations under the Public Contract Regulations 2015 to hold a tender process under the light touch regime and must also comply with the NHS Patient Choice, Procurement and Competition (no 2) Regulations 2013 to secure services for patients, improve quality and efficiency and gain best value for money. To comply with these regulations the CCG is carrying out the following procurement process:

Scoping	2 <sup>nd</sup> May 2019	ESCCG Governing Body - Review of demographics, what good looks like, scope of delivery models.
	5 <sup>th</sup> June 2019	Engagement with stakeholders & consultation commenced and aligned with "Together We're Better" Staffordshire and Stoke on Trent Sustainability and Transformation Plan Public Consultation exercise.
Defining	2 <sup>nd</sup> July 2019	Agree procurement approach and issue Procurement Intention Notice
Procurement	2 <sup>nd</sup> August 2019	Commence procurement process - Invitation To Tender
	24 <sup>th</sup> September 2019	ITT evaluation
	8 <sup>th</sup> October 2019	Commence moderation and evaluation
	28 <sup>th</sup> November 2019	Governing Body approval
	16 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	Contract Award
Mobilisation	January 2020 February 2020 March 2020	TUPE consultation and safe transfer agreements from VCSL to new provider.
Contract start	1 <sup>st</sup> April 2020	New provider in place

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