

Subject:	Sussex Community Trust's Estates Strategy		
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Ward(s) affected:	All		

FOR GENERAL RELEASE

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT AND POLICY CONTEXT

- 1.1 Sussex Community Trust is the main provider of community healthcare in Sussex. They provide the majority of services in people's own homes but also use clinical settings including special dental care at Morley Street and Conway Court, contraception & sexual health services at Morley Street, and children's services at Brighton General Hospital (BGH) and children's centres across the city.

This report gives HWOSC members an overview of how Sussex Community Trust's clinical care strategy and service development plans will impact most directly on service users due to service relocation.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 2.1 To note and comment on the strategy.

3. CONTEXT/ BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 3.1 Sussex Community Trust's clinical care strategy maps out their commitment to deliver excellent care at the heart of the community; the service development plans are shaped by four main transformational themes:

- **Adult integrated care and support**, for example via co-located, multi-disciplinary teams using risk stratification to wrap care around the patient in their own home.
- **Children and families integrated care and support**, for example by leading the implementation of the Healthy Child Programme.
- **Specialist community care**, for example through our specialist nursing & therapy teams caring for people with long term conditions & complex needs.
- **Organisational design**, for example via our infrastructure strategies – estates, information and technology, human resources and workforce.

- 3.2 SCT delivers children's services in partnership with Brighton & Hove City Council; staff are seconded into the council and managed as part of an integrated service which includes children's centres and the child development & disability service. Staff are co-located in both council and SCT buildings.

Service development plans

- 3.3 The vast majority of care is delivered in patients' own homes, and most of the organisational design changes do not directly affect service user access.
- 3.4 SCT is reviewing its accommodation across the city to ensure it supports service development plans, and is investing to improve the working environment and enhance the delivery of patient care. They have co-located community based staff in community hubs, improved the quality of clinical accommodation; maximised the efficiency of those properties and encouraged flexible working.
- 3.5 The main hub is at **Brighton General Hospital (BGH)** which is also the SCT HQ. A number of services are co-located there, for example children's services from Morley Street. Further co-locations onto BGH are being implemented for our adult services integrated primary care teams from Hazel Cottage in Woodingdean and from Moulsecoomb and Wellsbourne health centres. Patients do not access these services at the locations: these are staff bases only.

Morley Street will be developed as a mini-hub. A key element is the development of centre of excellence for special care dentistry. SCT will relocate community specialist HIV team there as well.

SCT will continue to invest in other health centres e.g. Moulsecoomb and Portslade, and make use of other accommodation via a lease where appropriate

- 3.6 Some of the development plans will affect the ways service users access care. Two locations are directly affected in current plans: Hazel Cottage, Woodingdean and Conway Court, Hove.

The Deans children's centre team will move from Hazel Cottage to Roundabout children's centre in Whitehawk in April 2014. This will support joint working and provide better staff cover. SCT has clarified that the Deans children's centre team will continue to deliver the same level of service to families across the Deans community. The speech and language therapy (SLT) clinic at Hazel Cottage will move to General Hospital; this will increase availability of appointments.

- 3.7 SCT is planning to relocate special care dentistry from Conway Court in Hove to Morley Street to develop a centre of excellence at Morley Street. Members of HWOSC considered SCT's decision to relocate special care dentistry from Moulsecoomb health centre to Morley Street at the last HWOSC..

4. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & CONSULTATION

- 4.1 SCT has confirmed that it will consult with patients and other stakeholders in due course.

5. FINANCIAL & OTHER IMPLICATIONS:

Financial Implications:

None to this cover report

Legal Implications:

None to this cover report.

Equalities Implications:

None to this cover report.

Sustainability Implications:

None to this cover report.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Appendices:

1. Sussex Community Trust , 'Our Service Development Plans'