

Designing Your Future Local Health Services in Stoke-on-Trent and North Staffordshire

What is this about?

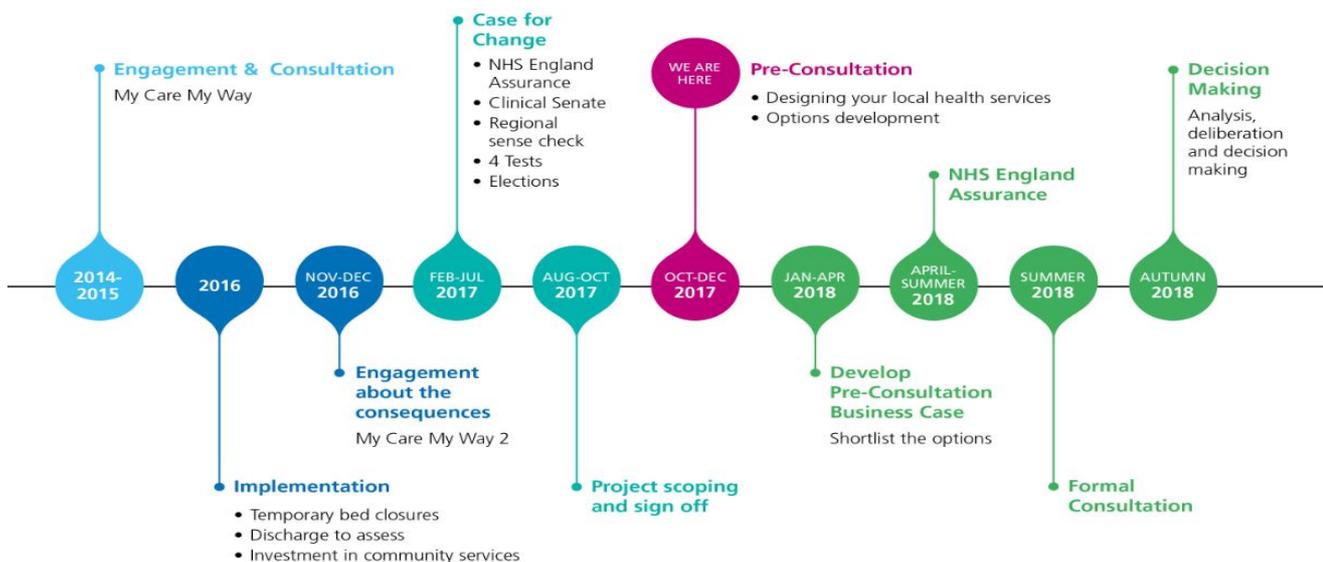
We are gathering the views of local people on how we could deliver the best services to all patients to meet their changing health needs. This involves working with you to develop the options that we will be consulting you about next year. The aim is to design high quality, accessible and affordable local health services that meet your needs in and around Leek Moorlands Hospital, Haywood Hospital, Longton Cottage Hospital, Bradwell Hospital and Cheadle Hospital.

Where are we now?

Over the past 18 months we have been talking with you about the proposed model of care and have been going through the NHS process and West Midlands NHS England Clinical Senate has given its support for the model of care.

At the moment, some rehabilitation beds are temporarily closed to new admissions, but all other services at the community hospitals remain open. No decisions have been made by the CCGs about which services should be provided in the future.

Below is the timeline for this work.



Your views matter

People have already told us that patient safety is the number one priority, and that patients benefit from being – and prefer to be – at home. They have also told us that they wanted to be assured that the new model will be implemented carefully and that the right community services will be in place. People have demonstrated a lot of support for their local community hospitals and have expressed their concerns about the future of these buildings and services.

Our investment in care closer to home



As shown above, the CCGs have invested more than £23million in care close to home by funding Home First – which was implemented in 2016 following the first wave of engagement and consultation. It enables more people to live where they want to for longer, and reduces the length of stay in hospital. Assessments can take place in a more appropriate situation and place, and evidence suggests this reduces the harm caused by long stays in hospital. It enables patients to access urgent care at the time they need it, and is particularly beneficial to vulnerable and frail patients.

How you can help

We want to know what's important to you and which services meet your needs. We are keen to explore what changes could be possible, taking into consideration the need to spend the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent £s wisely, accessibility (e.g. public transport); the differences between urban and rural locations and diversity and local needs.

Next steps

Please share your thoughts and feedback using our survey, which includes a list of the services currently provided locally.

The survey is available at <https://tinyurl.com/DesignFutureHealth> and it will remain open until Sunday 7 January 2018.

No decisions have been made at this stage so we will be looking carefully at everything you tell us. We will apply weightings to the criteria according to what you say is important.

All the feedback from the five listening events we have held in October and November, the meetings that we have attended and the survey responses will be compiled into a long list of options and the CCGs will work with representatives of local residents to consider the 'long list' and produce a 'short list' which will be part of the CCGs' Pre-Consultation Business Case. That will then be submitted to NHS England for their consideration before the formal consultation process can take place.

We will keep you informed of the developments and invite you to respond to the formal consultation next year. Please keep checking our website for details or sign up to our public membership scheme to receive regular updates.

Websites: www.northstaffsccg.nhs.uk and www.stokeccg.nhs.uk