

Report to: **East Sussex Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (HOSC)**

Date: **03 December 2015**

By: **Assistant Chief Executive**

Title: **The reconfiguration of NHS dementia assessment beds**

Purpose: **To provide an update on a) plans to reconfigure East Sussex dementia assessment beds; and b) on recent performance and new developments in diagnosis**

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## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

**HOSC is recommended: 1) To consider and comment on the attached CCG report on dementia assessment bed reconfiguration plans (Appendix 1); and 2) on High Weald Lewes Havens CCG (HWLH) plans to develop new dementia services (Appendix 2)**

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### **1. Background**

- 1.1 CCGs brought a report to the HOSC in June 2013, proposing to reconfigure East Sussex dementia assessment beds. The HOSC subsequently established a member task group (Cllrs Carstairs, Ensor and Standley) which reported its findings to HOSC in November 2013.
- 1.2 East Sussex CCG Boards formally agreed to reconfigure services on a single site in December 2013, subject to a full business case being agreed by each Board. This option was also the option favoured by the HOSC task group.
- 1.3 The process of formulating the business case has been a lengthy one. The HOSC has been regularly briefed on progress, receiving update reports in January 2014, November 2014 and March 2015.
- 1.4 The full business case has now been produced and agreed by the CCG Boards. Consequently, reconfiguration plans may now be implemented.
- 1.5 Details of the business case and the implementation programme have been provided by CCGs and are attached as **Appendix 1** to this report. As the CCG paper notes, the final reconfiguration decision accords with all the recommendation made by the HOSC task group (and endorsed by the HOSC in November 2013).
- 1.6 In addition to presenting information about the reconfiguration of dementia assessment beds, HWLH CCG has produced a report on its plans to develop dementia services. This is attached as **Appendix 2** to this report.

### **2. Conclusion and recommendation**

- 2.1 HOSC members are asked to consider and comment on the CCG plans to reconfigure dementia assessment beds (**Appendix 1**), and on HWLH CCG developments in dementia care (**Appendix 2**)

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