

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

Date: **03 December 2015**

By: **Assistant Chief Executive**

Title: **High Weald Maternity Pathways**

Purpose: **To provide an update from High Weald Lewes Havens (HWLH) CCG on maternity pathways in the High Weald**

RECOMMENDATIONS

HOSC is recommended to consider and comment on the HWLH CCG plans to change High Weald maternity pathways.

1. Background

- 1.1 As part of its review of the Better Beginnings maternity reconfiguration plans, the HOSC made several recommendations for the redesign of maternity pathways for the High Weald.
- 1.2 HWLH CCG has recently announced that it has agreed in principle with the parties concerned the transfer of provision of key High Weald maternity services from East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust (ESHT) to Maidstone & Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust (MTW). More details of this decision, and of the original HOSC recommendations, have been provided by HWLH CCG and are included in **Appendix 1** to this report.
- 1.3 In addition to hearing from HWLH CCG, the HOSC will be addressed by Mr Richard Hallett, who has been campaigning for changes to High Weald maternity pathways for several years.

2. Conclusion and recommendation

- 2.1 HOSC members are asked to consider and comment on the HWLH plans to change High Weald maternity pathways detailed in **Appendix 1**.

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