



Healthcare for the Future Consultation Launch Press Conference







We face some big challenges...

- Overall population health is not good
- Difficulty attracting doctors, nurses and others
- Too many hospital admissions and long stays
- The NHS is significantly overspent
- CQC some services inadequate or need improving





Now is the time to embrace change...

- Need to remove the uncertainties
- Need to tackle the difficult issues
- Need to take some tough decisions
- Need the public's help in making these decisions







We have a compelling vision...

"A centre of excellence for integrated health and social care provision in rural, remote and dispersed communities"





Delivery through Integrated Care Communities

- Joined up care communities of 20k to 70k people
- Involving NHS, social care & voluntary sector
- Care at home or close to home
- More people remain independent for longer
- Reduce the need to attend or stay in hospital
- Greater use of technology & home adaptations





Integrated Care Communities + CHANGE =

- Safer services
- Of high quality
- That are clinically sustainable
- And financially sustainable







So what are the potential service changes we are consulting on?





Children's services

- 1. Inpatients at CIC and WCH but low-risk only at WCH
- 2. Inpatients at CIC with short stay assessment at WCH
- 3. Full consolidation at CIC







Maternity services

Antenatal and postnatal care continues at WCH and CIC with all options

- 1. Consultant-led maternity care at CIC and WCH
- 2. Midwife-led unit only at WCH
- 3. Full consolidation at CIC





Community hospital inpatient beds

Four options that see consolidation of inpatient beds

- 1. Consolidation on six hospital sites
- 2. Consolidation on five hospital sites
- 3. Consolidation on a different five hospital sites
- 4. Consolidation on three hospital sites





Emergency and acute care

Outpatient care and elderly care at CIC and WCH in all options

- 1. 24/7 A&E at CIC and WCH
- 2. 24/7 Urgent Care Centre and daytime A&E at WCH
- 3. 24/7 Urgent Care Centre but no A&E at WCH





Hyper-acute stroke services

Rehabilitation services at CIC and WCH with both options

- 1. Five day a week stroke services as at present
- 2. Dedicated hyper-acute stroke service at CIC





The finance story

- Overspend now £70m
- Overspend in 2020 £163m (if we do nothing)
- More efficient working- can save £85m
- New ways of working can save £45m
- Clinical changes can save £2.1m





Decision making

- No decisions have been taken
- Nothing is pre-determined
- Decisions in the spring of 2017







The future for West Cumberland Hospital

- Some acute surgery returning
- Some trauma returning
- More planned surgery taking place
- Major new diagnostic suite planned
- Support for final redevelopment phase
- More people treated at WCH than before

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