

## North Yorkshire County Council

### Scrutiny of Health Committee

7 September 2012

#### Children's and Maternity Services at the Friarage Hospital, Northallerton

##### **Purpose of Report**

1. The purpose of this report is to update the Scrutiny of Health Committee on developments with regard to Children's and Maternity Services at the Friarage Hospital in Northallerton.

##### **Introduction**

2. The Committee has had an on-going involvement in this matter and was kept abreast of developments throughout the engagement process. The process which included public meetings and surveys of local GPs and other acute trusts has now finished.
3. Due to the large amount of information received the Hambleton, Richmondshire and Whitby Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) Board decided in June to take a report to the Board of NHS North Yorkshire and York (NHS NY&Y) in September, instead of July as was originally planned. This was to give the CCG more time to reflect on all the data that had been collected.
4. The intention in June was that the CCG Board would reach a view on the preferred option at its meeting on 23 August 2012. However, at that meeting, due to the amount of work still to be done to pull together the results of what had been learned from the engagement process, Dr Vickie Pleydell (Shadow Accountable Officer) gave a verbal update on the process so far and announced that a decision on a recommendation to NHS NY&Y would be postponed to an extraordinary meeting of the CCG Board on Monday 17 September 2012.
5. The Board of NHS NY&Y meets on 25 September 2012. If it recommends major changes, a formal consultation process will be undertaken. This is likely to be concluded in January, with a decision being made formally early next year.
6. Dr Pleydell will be attending the meeting to provide more information and respond to Members' questions.

##### **Recommendation**

7. Members are asked to note this report.

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**Background Documents: None**