
Report to: Overview and Scrutiny Committee **Date of Meeting:** 13th March 2012
(Health and Social Care)

Cabinet

29th March 2012

Subject: Phlebotomy Working Group – Final Report

Report of: Director of Corporate Commissioning **Wards Affected:** All

Is this a Key Decision? Yes **Is it included in the Forward Plan?** Yes

Exempt/Confidential No

Purpose/Summary

. To formally present the final report of the Phlebotomy Working Group.

Recommendation(s)

The Overview & Scrutiny Committee is requested to support the following recommendations and commend them to the Cabinet for approval:-

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1. That Liverpool Community Health NHS Trust be congratulated for reducing the waiting times for phlebotomy services in the south of the Borough and the Council hopes that the improvements made will be sustained;
2. That Liverpool Community Health NHS Trust be advised that this Council still has concerns regarding the waiting times for phlebotomy services at Maghull Health Centre and hopes that the Trust will endeavour to address the problems with the service at that Health Centre;
3. That Liverpool Community Health NHS Trust be requested to consider the introduction of a “twilight” phlebotomy clinic, either on an appointment or on a walk-in basis, in the south of the Borough;
4. That Southport & Ormskirk Hospitals NHS Trust be congratulated for reducing the waiting times for phlebotomy services in the north of the Borough and the Council hopes that the improvements made will be sustained;
5. That Southport and Ormskirk Hospitals NHS Trust be requested to consider the introduction of “twilight” phlebotomy clinics, either on an appointment or on a walk-in basis, at both Formby Clinic and in the north of the Borough, either at the Southport Centre for Health and Wellbeing or at Southport and Formby District General Hospital.

How does the decision contribute to the Council’s Corporate Objectives?

<u>Corporate Objective</u>		<u>Positive Impact</u>	<u>Neutral Impact</u>	<u>Negative Impact</u>
1	Creating a Learning Community		√	
2	Jobs and Prosperity		√	
3	Environmental Sustainability		√	
4	Health and Well-Being	√		
5	Children and Young People		√	
6	Creating Safe Communities		√	
7	Creating Inclusive Communities	√		
8	Improving the Quality of Council Services and Strengthening Local Democracy	√		

Reasons for the Recommendation:

The Working Group has made a number of recommendations that require approval by both the Overview & Scrutiny Committee (Health & Social Care) and the Cabinet.

What will it cost and how will it be financed?

There are no financial implications arising for the Council as a direct result of this report.

Implications: N/A

The following implications of this proposal have been considered and where there are specific implications, these are set out below:

Legal	
Human Resources	
Equality	
1. No Equality Implication	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2. Equality Implications identified and mitigated	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Equality Implication identified and risk remains	<input type="checkbox"/>

Impact on Service Delivery: N/A

What consultations have taken place on the proposals and when?

The Head of Corporate Finance and ICT has been consulted and has no comments on this report because the contents of the report have no financial implications for the Council. (FD: 1401/11).

The Head of Legal Services has been consulted and has no comments on this report as there are no legal implications arising from the contents of this report. (LD: 749).

Liverpool Community Health NHS Trust and Southport & Ormskirk Hospital NHS Trust have been advised of the proposals via receipt of the final report.

Are there any other options available for consideration? N/A

Implementation Date for the Decision

Following the expiry of the “call-in” period for the Minutes of the Cabinet.

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Background Papers:

There are no background papers available for inspection.

BACKGROUND:

The Phlebotomy Working Group, established by the Overview & Scrutiny Committee (Health & Social Care) has undertaken a review on issues surrounding the delivery of the phlebotomy service within the Borough and its final report is attached for consideration.

The Committee is requested to support the recommendations and commend them to the Cabinet for approval.

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