

Item No.	Classification: Open	Date: 15 July 2010	Meeting Name: Health and Social Care Board
Report title:		PCT Board Decisions taken since the last meeting.	
Ward(s) or groups affected:		All Electoral ward(s)	
From:		PCT Chief Executive	

RECOMMENDATION(S)

1. The Board is asked to note the report, which is for information.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

2. This item will now be a standing item on each agenda, with a brief report noting the decisions made by the PCT Board since the last meeting of the Health and Social Care Board

KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

3. The report is for information.

The PCT Board received the Strategy Plan for 2010/11 – 2014/15 at its 25 March meeting. The Strategy Plan sets out plans to provide services currently provided on acute hospital sites closer to people's homes following on from the Transforming Southwark's NHS public consultation. There is a presentation on the Strategy Plan later on the agenda.

Also at the 25 March meeting the PCT Board selected Guy's and St. Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust as the preferred partner for the future management arrangements for Southwark's community health services, and NHS Lambeth made the same decision with respect to its community health services.

Policy implications

4. There are no recommendations.

Community impact statement

5. There are no recommendations.

Resource implications

6. None.

NOTE: Legal/Financial implications

7. None.

Consultation

8. Not applicable.

SUPPLEMENTARY ADVICE FROM OTHER OFFICERS

9. None sought.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Background Papers	Held At	Contact
Minutes of the PCT Board meetings of 25 March, 20 May and 8 June	NHS Southwark HQ	Vicky Bradding

AUDIT TRAIL

Lead Officer	Susanna White	
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Key Decision?	No	
CONSULTATION WITH OTHER OFFICERS / DIRECTORATES / CABINET MEMBER		
Officer Title	Comments Sought	Comments included
Strategic Director of Communities, Law & Governance	No	No
Finance Director	No	No
List other officers here		
Cabinet Member	No	No
Date final report sent to Constitutional/Community Council/Scrutiny Team	N/A	

1. Decisions Made by Southwark PCT at its meeting on 25 March 2010

The PCT Board received the version of the Strategic Plan as submitted to NHS London and noted the amendments made since the draft plan had been approved at the January meeting. (The Strategic Plan is on the PCT website.)

The PCT Board received and approved the Organisational Development Plan for 2010/11 – 2014/15 that was submitted to NHS London on 25 January 2010, noting the minor changes made following the January Board meeting.

The PCT Board approved the Sustainable Development Management Plan and associated Action Plan and the establishment of a project group to take forward implementation of the plan.

The PCT Board approved the draft Operating Plan for 2010/11 as the basis of planning for the next financial year.

The PCT Board approved the revenue and capital Start Budgets for 2010/11 and noted the known financial risks and risk management arrangements, and agreed the overall savings programme.

The PCT Board received a report and noted the lessons learned from debriefing on the NHS Southwark response to the Influenza A H1N1 pandemic.

2. Decisions Made by Southwark PCT at a meeting on 25 March 2010, which was held jointly with a meeting of Lambeth PCT

The Board approved the following recommendations:

1. that Guy's and St Thomas' Foundation Trust is selected as the preferred partner for Lambeth and Southwark Provider Services, subject to agreement of the requirements indicated in the next recommendation.

2. that the PCTs work with GSTFT to agree a governance structure for the next stage of the process which ensures that:

- there is a focus on substantial areas of transformational service change, in line with the commissioning strategies of the two PCTs, which start to deliver tangible changes in the pattern and cost of service provision. These should meet the criteria determined by the JCPCT, particularly in developing the polysystem model and demonstrate the benefit of the vertical integration model from GSTFT
- the requirements of the next stage are well-handled. This will include both the external and internal requirements. The external processes are: the development of a business case to be submitted to NHS London, which describes and service and organisational changes that will be required and gives detailed financial projections for the new services; possible preparation of a case for the Co-operation and Competition Panel. The internal processes will include: undertaking a due diligence process on the local provider services; managing the transfer of staff from the PCTs to GSTFT once the earlier steps are successfully completed. the PCTs have the opportunity to sign off the business case before it is submitted to NHS London and ensure that it is consistent with their commissioning strategies

- the PCTs have the opportunity to ensure that the management arrangements during the transitional period give sufficient prominence to the voice of community services
- there is effective engagement with local stakeholders, which takes this opportunity to change radically the working patterns, organisational behaviour and joint working arrangements that will benefit the local population. This engagement should include: LCH and SPS; patients and the public; local authorities; PBC leads and GPs; the other members of KHP

3. that, as part of this process, and linked into the joint governance arrangements, the PCTs review the commissioning implications of this decision. In doing so the PCTs should work closely with local authorities, PBCs, GSTFT and the existing provider services to take the opportunity to develop contractual arrangements and payment systems that will support transformational change.

4. that the officers of the two PCTs work with the preferred partner specify and agree the resource implications of managing this change and bring back proposals to the Boards which ensure there is an appropriate balance between providing the necessary infrastructure and managing costs

5. the delegation of authority to the Chair to work with other partners to establish the governance arrangements for the next stage of this work. These arrangements will supersede the JCPCT that has been in place and will last for up to 12 months

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3. Decisions Made by Southwark PCT at its meeting on 20 May 2010

The PCT Board approved the revenue and capital Budgets for 2010/11 and noted the known financial risks and risk management arrangements, and agreed the overall savings programme.

With respect to primary medical services out-of-hours (OoHs) the Board noted

- The findings of the DH report and the requirements of PCTs as a result
- The current arrangements for the commissioning, contracting and performance management of OoHs care
- The actions taken to address all DH recommendations to date and in particular the steps taken to address recommendations one to eight of the national report
- The planned arrangements for future work to achieve compliance with the remaining recommendations of the DH report.

4. Decisions Made by Southwark PCT at its meeting on 8 June 2010

This was a meeting with one specific agenda item only. The PCT Board approved the 2009/10 Annual Accounts.

5. New Government Steer on Previous Decisions

The new Government has set out four key requirements that must be met for all plans for service changes moving forward and has required SHAs and PCTs to review existing decisions that have not yet been implemented to ensure that these requirements are met. The four requirements are:

- support from GP commissioners will be essential
- arrangements for public and patient engagement, including local authorities, should be strengthened
- there should be greater clarity about the clinical evidence base underpinning proposals
- proposals should take into account the need to develop and support patient choice.