

## NHS BOLTON CLINICAL COMMISSIONING GROUP

### Public Board Meeting

AGENDA ITEM NO: .....13.....

 Date of Meeting: .....8<sup>th</sup> January 2021.....

<b>TITLE OF REPORT:</b>	CCG Executive Update	
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<b>PRESENTED BY:</b>	Su Long, Chief Officer	
<b>PURPOSE OF PAPER: (Linking to Strategic Objectives)</b>	To update Board Members on decisions taken at the Executive, within the Scheme of Delegation, that has a financial, reputational or operational impact.	
<b>LINKS TO CORPORATE OBJECTIVES (tick relevant boxes):</b>	Deliver the outcomes in the Bolton Joint Health and Care Plan.	
	Ensure compliance with the NHS statutory duties and NHS Constitution.	
	Deliver financial balance.	
	Regulatory Requirement.	
	Standing Item.	√
<b>RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD: (Please be clear if decision required, or for noting)</b>	The Board is asked to note the content.	
<b>COMMITTEES/GROUPS PREVIOUSLY CONSULTED:</b>	<p>All items will have been through the CCG Executive.</p> <p>Most items will have been to other relevant committees/groups dependent on topic.</p>	
<b>REVIEW OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST:</b>	Conflicts of interest are reviewed at every meeting.	
<b>VIEW OF THE PATIENTS, CARERS OR THE PUBLIC, AND THE EXTENT OF THEIR INVOLVEMENT:</b>	Patients, carers or the public will have been involved as required for each individual topic area.	
<b>OUTCOME OF EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA) AND ANY ASSOCIATED RISKS:</b>	Each topic will have been individually assessed for equality impact as required.	

## CCG Executive Update

### **1. Executive Summary**

- 1.1 Under the Scheme of Reservation and Delegation - Appendix D of the NHS Bolton CCG Constitution a number of decisions are delegated to the CCG Executive.
- 1.2 Where these decisions are of an operational, financial or reputational matter, they will be reported to the Board within this CCG Executive Update, unless reported to the Board via another route.
- 1.3 Decisions from 4<sup>th</sup> November to 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2020 are contained within this report. As this is the period of the level 4 emergency, specific decision making and funding arrangements are in place for Covid-19.

### **2. Greater Manchester Children's Rehabilitation Programme Business Case**

- 2.1 The report updated on the work developed through the GM Children's Rehabilitation Programme following the Manchester Arena attack, to support children and young people during the Covid pandemic. A request for a recurrent funding contribution to sustain the programme across localities and increase the offer had been made. Bolton's contribution is £13.5k.
- 2.2 It was reported that each locality is considering the same contribution and information on the number of children benefitting from this programme had been requested.
- 2.3 The Executive agreed to the recurrent funding.

### **3. AQP 2021/22 Commissioning and Contracting Options**

- 3.1 Bolton CCG is currently not part of the Greater Manchester procurement but had agreed to stay part of the current GM commissioned services for the first 6 month extension to allow a local procurement process to recommission AQP locally.
- 3.2 Given the current circumstances with the Covid 19 pandemic, the proposal is to request a further 6 month extension to the GM AQP contracts until 30<sup>th</sup> September 2021, which gives Bolton CCG the opportunity to keep in line with the rest of GM and re-extend the current contracting arrangements. This also allows the CCG to re-join the GM Procurement for the longer term process.
- 3.3 The Executive considered the options proposed and agreed to accept GM's offer to re-extend the current contracting arrangements for AQP for a further 6 months to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2021.

#### **4. Home from Hospital**

- 4.1 The paper updated the Executive on the current status of the jointly commissioned “Home from Hospital Service”, provided by Age UK and the funding implications that have been raised by the provider, following a recent review of the Bolton Council contributions.
- 4.2 To support the service to maintain the current delivery model, it was proposed that the CCG support an additional level of funding, increasing the annual uplift from 2.5% to 3.65% [£5,615k], with an agreement that Bolton Council will also support an additional uplift.
- 4.3 If the service was to continue to be funded in 2021/22 at the same level, the impact of this would be that the service would need to reduce operating hours. This would mean reducing from a 7 day model to a 5 day model, which would not support the locality strategic direction to ensure discharges are in place 7 days per week.
- 4.4 The Executive agreed to honour the uplift as it reflects a consistent approach with other contracts. It was recognised that savings in response to increased inflationary costs for next year would be reviewed as part of the work being undertaken by the System Financial Reset Group.

#### **5. Honeysuckle Lodge Procurement**

- 5.1 The report updated on the recent procurement exercise undertaken, which had resulted in 2 bids being received, with one progressing through the final interview stage from GMMH.
- 5.2 The Executive recognised the success of this service and agreed to support the contract award to GMMH.

#### **6. Uptake of the National Flu Immunisation Programme in Bolton 2019/20 and Update on the current 2020/21 Flu Vaccination Season**

- 6.1 The report provided an update on last year’s uptake and outlined proposals for priority groups and targeted activity to promote uptake of the current programme.
- 6.2 There had been an increased uptake by the over 65 year group with 72% uptake to date.
- 6.3 The plan for this year’s vaccination programme was to promote the use of nasal sprays for children and work is developing with the learning disabilities team to increase uptake for learning disability patients.

#### **7. Multi-Agency Complex Case Panel Policy**

- 7.1 The report detailed a proposal to formalise the partnership arrangements between the CCG and the Council’s children services to support the assessment and decision making processes for children and young people up to the age of 18 years (25 years if the young

person has an Education Health and Care Plan) with complex, persistent and severe behavioral medical and mental health needs.

7.2 This will formalise statutory duties, panel operation and funding principles.

7.3 The Executive approved the proposal to formalise the partnership arrangements.

## **8. AccuRx Procurement**

8.1 The paper outlined this functionality that has been provided on a short term basis to support covid responses and offer a triage approach, including two way text messaging and guidance support.

8.2 It was reported that these functions have been well received by practices and the proposal considered was to procure this on the framework.

8.3 The Executive was informed that funding is available within budget.

8.4 The Executive noted the report and acknowledged the benefits of this software to practices and supported the proposal pending further work to benchmark across GM CCGs and funding availability.

## **9. Corporate Telephony System**

9.1 A proposal to expand the current telephony system was reviewed by the Executive. The work was to be undertaken in a phased approach.

9.2 It was confirmed that the financial requirements were part of the original business case.

9.3 The Executive supported the progress of the scheme.

## **10. Recommendations**

10.1 The Board is asked to note the content of this paper.

**Su Long**  
**Chief Officer**  
**January 2020**