

**Central Bedfordshire Council**

**SOCIAL CARE, HEALTH & HOUSING OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY  
COMMITTEE**

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**Sustainability and Transformation Plan 2016-2020**

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**Purpose of this report:**

1. The report allows Members to note the requirement for Bedfordshire, Luton and Milton Keynes (BLMK) health and care communities to come together to develop a Sustainability and Transformation Plan (STP) as part of a national drive to improve health and wellbeing, care quality, and financial affordability across the NHS.
2. The attached report, which was tabled at the Health and Wellbeing Board on 19 October, provides an overview of the Sustainability and Transformation Plan for BLMK footprint, which includes Central Bedfordshire Council area. (Appendix A). It also informs the Board of the requirement for local involvement and engagement to ensure local people are able to shape the future of their local services.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Committee is asked to:

1. Note the requirement for a Sustainability and Transformation Plan
2. Note the emerging priorities and next steps for the STP process.

## **Council Priorities**

The STP Priorities align with the following Council priorities:

- Enhancing your local community
- Promote health and well-being and protect the vulnerable

## **Corporate Implications**

### **Risk Management**

The STP Steering Group has a Programme management framework in place and is monitoring all risk issues.

### **Staffing (including Trades Unions)**

There are no specific staffing issues arising from this report at this point.

### **Legal Implications**

The legal implications at this stage are centred on ensuring an appropriate governance framework is in place and in line with the Council's constitution.

### **Financial Implications**

The Sustainability and Transformation Plan requires local footprints to set out how the health and care system will achieve financial balance over the next 5 years. This will subsequently form the basis of the application process to access transformational funding for 2017/18 onwards.

### **Equalities Implications**

Central Bedfordshire Council has a statutory duty to promote equality of opportunity, eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and foster good relations in respect of nine protected characteristics; age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation. Ensuring better outcomes through locality based integrated health and social care services should be for the benefit of all residents and equality duties should be considered and embedded in the context of any joint working to avoid discrimination.

### **Conclusion and next steps**

A second draft plan is due to be submitted to NHS England and NHS Improvement on 21 October.

## **Appendices**

Appendix A – Sustainability and Transformation Plan 2016-2020