

TELFORD & WREKIN COUNCIL HEALTH & WELLBEING BOARD**DATE: 6 DECEMBER 2017****REPORT TITLE: LOCAL MATERNITY SYSTEM PLAN****REPORT OF: ASSISTANT DIRECTOR HEALTH & WELLBEING****LEAD CABINET MEMBER – CLLR A R H ENGLAND****PART A) – SUMMARY REPORT****1. SUMMARY OF MAIN PROPOSALS**

1.1. A Local Maternity System (LMS) has been established across the Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin health economy in response to the national review of maternity services - *Better Births*¹.

1.2. The role of the LMS is to co-produce and deliver a plan to transform local maternity services in order to:

➤ **Improve choice and personalisation of maternity services so that:**

- All pregnant women have a personalised care plan;
- All women are able to make choices about their maternity care, during pregnancy, birth and after their baby is born;
- Most women receive continuity of the person caring for them during pregnancy, birth and after their baby is born; and
- More women are able to give birth in midwifery settings (at home and in midwifery units)

➤ **Improving the safety of maternity care so that all services:**

- Reduce the rates of still birth, neonatal death, maternal death and brain injury during birth by 20% and are on track to make a 50% reduction by 2030
- Investigate and learn from incidents and sharing this learning through their local system and with others
- Fully engage in the development and implementation of the NHS Improvement Maternity and Neonatal Quality Improvement Programme.

1.3. The Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin LMS Board is chaired by NHS Telford & Wrekin CCG's Executive Nurse & Deputy Chief Officer. The draft Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin LMS plan was submitted to NHS England for initial comment in September 2017 and then subsequently amended and resubmitted in October 2017.

¹ Better Births - Improving outcomes of maternity services in England, A Five Year Forward View for maternity care.
<https://www.england.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/national-maternity-review-report.pdf>

1.4. The draft plan has cross cutting themes which include: workforce, the digital roadmap and maternity voices partnership. The three work streams in the plan are:

- Maternity and new-born services reconfiguration, specifically a community-based services model;
- Perinatal mental health; and
- Health and wellbeing (prevention) – which is being led by the Council's Assistant Director Health & Wellbeing.

1.5. Both Telford & Wrekin and Shropshire Council Public Health teams are working on the Health and Wellbeing work stream, which is chaired by Telford & Wrekin Assistant Director Health & Wellbeing. The following outcomes have been agreed as priorities:

- Women have a healthy lifestyle before getting pregnant;
- Women are healthy during pregnancy;
- Women understand how to keep themselves and their baby healthy in the longer term;
- Professionals work within a culture where improving health and wellbeing and reducing health inequalities is understood and acted upon; and
- Babies and infants are healthier and grow to be healthy children and adults.

1.6. The work stream includes action related to: pre-conception health checks, reducing obesity, smoking, hypertension and diabetes before, during and after pregnancy, increasing the uptake of immunisations and vaccination, strengthening the links and pathways between maternity and health visitors and supporting the development of the midwifery community hubs.

1.7. NHS England North Midlands acknowledged that the first draft plan submitted was a good start and suggested improvements, specifically in relation to:

- Further detail about what is going to be different and new to improve the safety of maternity care;
- The culture of local services and the future ambition to support and building public confidence in them;
- Improving personalised care planning;
- Alignment with Future Fit and the contribution of the Midwife-Led Unit review;
- Understanding the needs of women and their families and evidencing a co-production approach;
- System ownership, capacity and capability;
- Clear implementation plans; and
- The financial case for change

1.8. The October iteration of the LMS plan incorporated further work and changes as advised by NHS England.

1.9. The LMS plan is not currently in the public domain as it is under NHS England review. It is expected that the LMS plan will be published early in 2018 once it has been signed off by the NHS.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

The HWB is requested to note the LMS approach which is being taken to improve local maternity services as outlined in this report.

3. IMPACT OF ACTION

The LMS plan is based on the national expectations for improving maternity care and is designed to improve outcomes for women and children before, during and after pregnancy. Key performance and outcomes indicators are included in the various work stream project plans and are being monitored by the LMS board.

4. SUMMARY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

COMMUNITY IMPACT	Do these proposals contribute to a specific HWB Priority	
	Yes	<p>The LMS plan delivers clear action in the context of improving local maternity services across all three priorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage healthier lifestyles • Improve mental wellbeing and mental health • Strengthen our communities and community-based support
	Do these proposals contribute to specific Co-Operative Council priority objective(s)?	
	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Put our children and young people first • Protect and support our vulnerable children and adults • Improve the health and wellbeing of our communities and address health inequalities
	Will the proposals impact on specific groups of people?	
Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Women of child bearing age • Pregnant women • Children and young people 	
TARGET	The LMS plan will be published in early 2018.	

COMPLETION/DELIVERY DATE		
FINANCIAL/VALUE FOR MONEY IMPACT	Yes	<p>The majority of the strategic maternity transformation will be delivered from within existing resources.</p> <p>Project Management and backfill arrangements will be funded from monies secured by the CCG following a successful bid to NHS England of £77k in 2017/18 and £150k in 2018/19.</p> <p>There will be continued pressure on the Council's Public Health budgets for 2018/19 and 2019/20 which may impact on the resources available to deliver the Health and Well Being work stream.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>(ER 17/11/17)</i></p>
LEGAL ISSUES	Yes	<p>In March 2015, NHS England announced a major review of maternity services as part of the NHS Five Year Forward View. Baroness Julia Cumberlege independently led the review, working with a panel of experts and representative bodies. The scope of the review was to assess current maternity care provision and consider how services should be developed to meet the changing needs of women and babies and its findings were published in February 2016 "Better Births: Improving Outcomes of Maternity Services in England: A Five Year Forward View for Maternity Care"</p> <p>The Public Health Outcomes Framework for 2016-2019 [last updated 03.07.2017] includes indicators relating to maternity services under Domain 2: Health Improvement and Domain 4: Healthcare public health and preventing premature mortality, some of which indicators are shared with the NHS Outcomes Framework.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>KF 08.11.2017</i></p>
EQUALITY & DIVERSITY	Yes	Equality and Inclusion considerations are a key factor in the development and implementation of the LMS Plan.

IMPACT ON SPECIFIC WARDS	No	Borough-wide impact
PATIENTS & PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT	Yes	<p>The LMS Plan has been developed in in partnership with stakeholders to ensure the vision is realistic. However, there is an acknowledgement that the co-production approach needs further development so that co-production is embedded and in future is at the heart of all activity and becomes 'business as usual' by 2020/21.</p> <p>Co-production work to date has been undertaken through the review of midwife-led services. People who have used or have an interest in midwifery-led services and professionals working in or with midwifery-led services have worked together with commissioners to start the re-design a future model of midwifery led services.</p>
OTHER IMPACTS, RISKS & OPPORTUNITIES	Yes	Risks for each organisation in delivering the plan are recorded and monitored through a risk register for the LMS.

PART B) – ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1. INFORMATION

No further information.

2. IMPACT ASSESSMENT – ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

See Section 4

3. PREVIOUS MINUTES

4. BACKGROUND PAPERS

Report prepared by Vicki Pike, Public Health Commissioner, Telephone: 01952 381026.