

Item

**Adult Social Care and
Health Select
Committee**

14 November 2017

**Review of NHS Commissioned Learning Disability, Complex Needs and/or
Autism Respite and Short Break Services**

Summary

Hartlepool and Stockton-on-Tees, and South Tees CCGs have consulted on potential changes to NHS commissioned Respite Services.

This report updates the Committee on progress.

Detail

1. The Hartlepool and Stockton-on-Tees, and South Tees CCGs have launched a ten week public consultation in relation to NHS commissioned Learning Disability, Complex Needs and/or Autism Respite Services. The review is proposing changes to the way in which bed-based services are provided, the assessment processes, and development of other community based services.
2. Following the update to the Committee on 12 September, and agreement that the proposals represent a substantial variation to local health services, a statutory Joint Committee has been formed with the other affected local Councils.
3. The public consultation ended on 10 November, and the Joint Committee continues to meet to develop its response. At its first meeting on 11 October, the Committee requested further information in relation to the quality of the public consultation (feedback from a mid-point review by Consultation Institute is due to be provided) and further information on the development of alternative services.
4. Copies of the latest version of the Frequently Asked Questions are attached for Committee.
5. In line with standard practice at Stockton for responding to substantial variations, Stockton's element of the joint consultation response will be prepared and considered by Council for agreement, prior to submission to the CCGs.

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