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CABINET
18 SEPTEMBER 2014
CABINET RESPONSE TO THE CONSULTATION
ON MINOR INJURIES UNIT AT CANNOCK HOSPITAL

1 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To consider the Cabinet's response to the public consultation on future service provision at the Minor Injuries Unit at Cannock Hospital.

2 Recommendations

- 2.1 That Cabinet consider and approve the response to the consultation on MIU.

3 Key Issues and Reasons for Recommendation

- 3.1 Cannock Chase CCG are consulting on proposals to reduce the hours of opening of the Minor Injuries Unit at Cannock hospital from 16 hours per day (8am to midnight, 7 days per week) to 8 hours per day (11am to 7pm, 7 days per week). The consultation period is from 1st to 28 September 2014. During this period, three public events will take place (Cannock: 3rd September, Hednesford: 10 September and Rugeley: 18 September).
- 3.2 A key issue from the CCG perspective is that approximately four out of ten people who use the MIU do so with a minor illness rather than a minor injury and this is judged as not cost effective. Cannock Chase CCG had an unplanned financial deficit of £9.599m in the last financial year. It has a planned deficit agreed for 2014/15 financial year of £8.574m.
- 3.3 Following discussions about the implications of the proposal for residents of Cannock Chase, the current problems with accessing timely appointments at many GP practices in the District and the need for a more coherent model for out of hours and urgent care in the District, the response attached has been drafted for consideration.