

MEETING:	HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
DATE:	18 MARCH 2011
TITLE OF REPORT:	MENTAL HEALTH & LEARNING DISABILITY SERVICES – MOBILISATION OF NEW CONTRACT WITH <sup>2</sup> GETHER NHS FOUNDATION TRUST
Report By	Interim Director of Projects

**CLASSIFICATION: Open** 

#### **Wards Affected**

County-wide

## **Purpose**

To brief the Health Scrutiny Committee on the new provider for Mental Health (health and adult social care) and Learning Disability (health) and progress with mobilisation of the new contract.

#### Recommendations

### **THAT the Health Scrutiny Committee:**

- (a) Receives a briefing on the new provider for mental health (health and adult social care) and Learning Disability (health);
- (b) Notes progress with mobilisation of the new contract; and
- (c) notes that any proposals to vary the range and location of services upon which formal consultation is required will brought to the Committee as appropriate should that be the necessary when the new contract is mobilised.

# **Key Points Summary**

- The aim of the Mental Health Procurement Project was to select a preferred partner for Mental Health (health & social care) services & Learning Disability (health care) services to deliver and modernise services for the people of Herefordshire.
- The process by which this was achieved was via a competitive procurement process which commenced with NHS Herefordshire Board approval to proceed in July 2009, a formal invitation to tender launched in the first week of November 2010 and a

formal NHS Herefordshire Board decision on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2010 to appoint <sup>2</sup>gether NHS Foundation Trust as the preferred provider.

• Section 75 (provision) arrangements are being revised and refreshed for Mental Health (adult social care) services as part of this process; and mobilisation of the contract and transfer of services is to be completed by the 1 April 2011.

Shaun Clee, Chief Executive of <sup>2</sup>gether NHS Foundation Trust will attend the Health Scrutiny Committee to give a presentation on this matter.

## **Background Papers**

None identified