

Healthier Communities Select Committee: Chairs Briefing			
To:	Councillor Muldoon		
Brief:	The consolidation of the ICO Health Group primary care services in Grove Park and the intention to develop a new purpose built Health Centre.		
Ward:	Grove Park	Item No.	N/A
From:	NHS Lewisham Clinical Commissioning Group		
Class:	N/A	Date:	14 th February 2018

1. Purpose

- 1.1 The purpose of this briefing is to provide the Chair with an update on the above proposals as will be reported *‘for information only’* to the NHS Lewisham CCG Primary Care Commissioning Group on 20th February 2018.
- 1.2 The CCG will not be proceeding any further with its review and decision process regarding this proposed development.

2. Background

- 2.1 The ICO Health Group has identified a number of potential sites over recent years with the intention of consolidating the practice onto fewer sites by relocation. Prior to level 3 delegated co-commissioning responsibilities in April 2017 such proposals were under the auspices of NHS England.
- 2.2 The ICO Health Group advised the CCG in September 2016 of a potential site and its intentions.
- 2.3 On 25th April 2017 the CCG attended the Healthier Communities Select Committee, where members of the Committee were recommended to note NHS Lewisham CCGs *‘support in principle’* for proposed changes in core primary care services for the consolidation of the ICO Health Group primary care services in Grove Park and the intention to develop a new purpose built Health Centre.
- 2.4 At the Primary Care Commissioning Committee meeting on 20th June 2017, the committee received an update on the emerging proposals and a request to convene an extraordinary Committee meeting, if necessary, to review the proposals once a business case had been finalised and reviewed.
- 2.5 Cllr Suzannah Clarke, Grove Ward and Chair of the Planning Committee attended on 20th June 2017 to alert the Committee to local concerns and made a representation detailing concerns about the associated planning application. The committee welcomed Cllr Clarke’s insights and advised that no decisions had been made.
- 2.6 On 20th July 2017 the CCG advised the Healthier Communities Select Committee that the proposals from the ICO Health Group were still in development and that no decision had been made. More so, that all proposals for premises relocation under delegated commissioning are submitted to the Primary Care Commissioning Committee for approval.

3. Process

- 3.1 On reviewing requests for Premises Relocation, the NHS England London Region criteria is used to make an assessment this include;

- (i) detail of the practice background;
 - (ii) understanding of the local demography;
 - (iii) an assessment of the strategic benefits of agreeing to a relocation; the revenue implications and capital requirements;
 - (iv) that the relocation ensures that premises are fit for purpose in accordance with minimum standards set out in the 2013 GMS Premises Costs Directions;
 - (v) detail of service improvements that will arise as result of the relocation.
- 3.2 On completion of this review recommendations would be made to the NHS Lewisham CCG Primary Care Commissioning Committee. All recommendations are subject and indeed caveated on the outcome of any associated permissions e.g. Planning Consent.
- 3.3 On 17th August 2017 Lewisham Council Planning Committee B considered the ICO Group's application DC/17/10168 – 54 Chinbrook Road, SE12 9TH.
- 3.4 Planning permission was granted in respect of application DC/17/101268, but with the addition of a condition requiring a road safety audit.
- 3.5 On 4th September 2017 Mayor Sir Steve Bullock, convened a meeting with residents from the Save Bethany House Campaign, Ward Councillors and Heidi Alexander MP, the ICO Health Group and Lewisham CCG. Residents were able to present their concerns about the proposed GP practice and on the planning application process.
- 3.6 The CCG engaged the District Valuer to advise the CCG on the financial implications for the CCG of the proposed development in relation to the Directions that govern CCG financial responsibilities and authorities in respect of GP practice premises costs.
- 3.7 Whilst the proposal did not result in a formal business case being submitted to the CCG, the CCG concluded that the proposed scheme was unlikely to be viable financially and based on known information the CCG was unlikely to be in a position to recommend approval of a business case to the Primary Care Commissioning Committee.
- 3.8 The CCG advised the ICO Health Group of its conclusion on 29th November 2017, inviting any additional information that may be relevant.
- 3.9 On 20th December 2017 the CCG confirmed to the ICO Health Group that it would not be proceeding any further with its review and decision process in connection with this proposed development.

4. Further information

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Link: <http://www.lewishamccg.nhs.uk/about-us/how-we-work/Pages/Primary-Care-Commissioning-Committee-.aspx>