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Update on our draft pre-consultation business case (PCBC)

Since December the Improving Healthcare Together programme has been working with a wide range of experts, partners, local authority and public health colleagues, clinicians, the public and our regulators to gather research and evidence to help shape the proposals for Epsom and St Helier hospitals.

All of our evidence published on our website can be viewed [here](#). This includes two new pieces of evidence:

- The draft interim impact assessment report and,
- The impact on other providers – a summary assessment

All of our evidence to date has been used to update the draft pre-consultation business case (PCBC) which we have now submitted today to NHS England for assurance.

To continue with our commitment to openness with our partners and stakeholders, we wanted to ensure you were kept up to date with our ongoing process and have therefore produced a stakeholder briefing document which is now available on our website –

here: <https://improvinghealthcaretogether.org.uk/submission-of-updated-draft-pre-consultation-business-case-pcbc-to-nhs-england-for-assurance/>.

We are not releasing the draft updated PCBC at this time as we intend to do this when we have received national feedback and assurance signalling that we can move to consultation with the public.

The stakeholder briefing explains what we have been doing and our current thinking. **It is not a consultation document.** The evidence and position set out in this briefing is subject to change as further evidence is developed and assurance by NHS England takes place. In particular, this briefing does not include detailed underlying financial information, as this is subject to

assurance and regulatory oversight and is therefore not appropriate to publish at this stage. As you are aware, the non-financial evidence we are using to this point is available on our website.

No decisions about any changes to services will be made until after a full public consultation has taken place and all of the information – including, for example, any feedback from a formal public consultation and the final Integrated Impact Assessment – has been considered by the CCGs

Patient and public engagement this year

What clinicians, staff, GPs and local people think is key to us developing the right local health and care services.

We continue to engage with staff, local people, community groups, local councils, MPs and other key interest groups to set out why change is needed and what the potential options are.

From January to June this year, as part of our ongoing and wider participation work, the programme has engaged with a diverse range of community groups across all three CCG areas to provide updates on our work, gather local intelligence and feedback, strengthen local partnerships, and embed the [case for change](#).

Read more about what people say on our website: <https://improvinghealthcaretogether.org.uk/about/what-people-think/>

What next?

All of the evidence, research and data we are currently working on, will be reviewed by the CCGs before deciding whether we should hold a public consultation on any of our proposals.

We will not go out to public consultation on any proposals until we have agreement in principle for the funding from our regulators.

No decisions have been made about these services yet. This will only happen after a public consultation, and after all the evidence and feedback has been reviewed.

If you have any further questions or want to learn more about the work we are doing please visit our website [here](#).

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