

TRUST BOARD

Date of Meeting: 06/09/21011	Agenda Item No: 5.1	Enclosure: 3
Intended Outcome:		
For noting ✓	For information	For decision
Title of Report: West Cumberland Hospital Redevelopment Update		
Aims: To update the Trust Board on the progress being made with regards to the redevelopment of West Cumberland Hospital.		
Executive Summary:		
<p>The redevelopment of West Cumberland Hospital remains the most significant single NHS capital development within the Cumbrian health economy. The Full Business Case (FBC) for the redevelopment, previously approved by the Trust Board, is lodged with the Strategic Health Authority (SHA) for review and approval in advance of following the approvals process with the Department of Health (DH) and HM Treasury. The FBC is also lodged with NHS Cumbria to secure a statement of commissioner support.</p> <p>This paper updates the Trust Board on the progress being made to support the progression of the scheme. Key updates for the Board are outlined below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Progression of the main scheme</u> <p>The new build scheme design continues to be developed through to completion of the 1:50 scale (individual room level) drawings. This involves a detailed process with clinical user groups to reach agreement and final sign-off.</p> <p>Trust Board members will be pleased to note that the revised scheme secured full planning approval at a meeting of Copeland Borough Council's Planning Panel on 17 August 2011.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Progression of Works to J Block</u> <p>The re-provision of inpatient mental health facilities within the existing J Block, at a cost of c.£3 million, lies on the critical path for the overall redevelopment programme. The Trust Board agreed to continue this aspect of the development, in advance of full FBC approval, to ensure that when final approvals are received the redevelopment progresses without further delay. The J Block works are on site and progressing well.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Links to the Clinical Strategy</u> <p>The Clinical Strategy outputs are yet to be concluded. One of the caveats to the approval of the FBC by the SHA was that a fully-costed and affordable clinical strategy was required to be in place prior to approval. NHS Cumbria has also indicated that its support for the FBC is dependent upon it demonstrating compliance with an affordable and sustainable Clinical Strategy. Whilst there is clearly both an internal and external requirement to conclude the Clinical Strategy work, discussions are taking place with the SHA to determine the degree to which the Strategy must be finalised in order to allow</p>		

the approval of the FBC to move ahead.

Overview of key areas for considering or noting:

- The above identifies the key strategic issues which the Project Team are currently addressing to ensure a satisfactory conclusion to the approvals process and progression of the redevelopment project.
- All aspects which may be progressed by the Project Team at the present time, prior to FBC approval, are being done in as timely a way as possible.
- The agreement of the form of the Clinical Strategy required in support of the approvals process is being discussed between the Interim Chief Executive and the SHA, and this remains the critical item in securing the approval of the FBC and the timely progression of the redevelopment project.

Specific implications and links to the Trust's Strategic Aims:

Ensure we provide high quality, safe and effective care for all our patients including meeting essential standards of safety and quality as set out by the CQC	✓
Develop a viable integrated clinical strategy for secondary care services which is sustainable and affordable	✓
Develop a new healthcare facility in West Cumbria that is fit for the 21st century	✓
Achieve sustainable financial balance through the delivery of the Trust's internal Cost Improvement Programme, securing a viable contract income from our GP commissioners and contributing to the system wide cost reductions	✓
To develop and implement a successful merger or acquisition plan that enables the Trust to become part of an existing NHS Foundation Trust	✓

Recommendations: To note the contents of the report

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