Hertfordshire County Council
Health Scrutiny Committee

Health Service Strategic Commissioning Topic Group

Submission of evidence
by Broxbourne Borough Council

Cllr. Jeremy Pearce, Deputy Leader of the Council
Rosie Sanderson, Head of Community Planning & Corporate Projects

Borough of Broxbourne

- Health issues, especially travel to hospitals are an important issue for residents, shown by surveys

- Residents are referred to a variety of hospitals, dependant on the GP practice they attend. These include:
  - Chase Farm (Enfield)
  - QEII (Welwyn Garden City)
  - Princess Alexandra (Harlow)
  - Lister (Stevenage)
Borough of Broxbourne

- Broxbourne Council supports an expansion of primary care, and has worked with the NHS to achieve this:
  - Investment by the council to expand Cheshunt community hospital
  - Use of planning agreements to obtain improvements to GP surgeries

Issues pertaining to the remit of the topic group

- Strategy and resource planning across the whole health spectrum
- Slicing of NHS financial cake
- Collaborative approach between acute and primary sectors
- Effect of Barnet, Enfield and Haringey clinical strategy
Strategy and resource planning across the spectrum

- Less investment in primary care planned in E & N Herts compared to West Herts
- There is no planned increase in the proportion of resources for the ambulance service, despite proposed changes to acute services requiring an increase in trained paramedics.

Needs of residents

Deprivation:

Index of Multiple deprivation (2004) shows 5 of top 10 most deprived wards in Hertfordshire are in Broxbourne borough

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>SOA</th>
<th>Local Authority</th>
<th>Area Name</th>
<th>IMD score</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>E01023758</td>
<td>Stevenage</td>
<td>Bedwell</td>
<td>38.77</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>E01023844</td>
<td>Three Rivers</td>
<td>Northwick</td>
<td>38.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>E01023920</td>
<td>Welwyn Hatfield</td>
<td>Hatfield Central</td>
<td>37.71</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>E01023536</td>
<td>Hertsmere</td>
<td>Borehamwood Cowley Hill</td>
<td>34.39</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>E01023338</td>
<td>Broxbourne</td>
<td>Waltham Cross</td>
<td>32.60</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>E01023343</td>
<td>Broxbourne</td>
<td>Wormley &amp; Turnford</td>
<td>30.06</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>E01023310</td>
<td>Broxbourne</td>
<td>Flamstead End</td>
<td>29.22</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>E01023339</td>
<td>Broxbourne</td>
<td>Waltham Cross</td>
<td>29.20</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>E01023294</td>
<td>Broxbourne</td>
<td>Bury Green</td>
<td>29.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>E01023530</td>
<td>Hertsmere</td>
<td>Borehamwood Brookmeadow</td>
<td>28.53</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Slicing of NHS cake

Deprivation:

- Proposals favoured by the NHS (to centralise acute services at the Lister hospital) will move services away from residents of Broxbourne.
- Residents of deprived areas are more likely to need access to acute healthcare and less likely to be registered with a GP.
- Other areas in Hertfordshire with significant deprivation have and will continue to have an acute or general hospital close by.

Index of Multiple Deprivation

- The IMD 2004 was constructed by combining the seven transformed domain scores, using the following weights:
  - * Income (22.5%)
  - * Employment (22.5%)
  - * Health Deprivation and Disability (13.5%)
  - * Education, Skills and Training (13.5%)
  - * Barriers to Housing and Services (9.3%)
  - * Crime (9.3%)
  - * Living Environment (9.3%)

Needs of residents

Life expectancy:

Difference of 2.5 years between Waltham Cross and Hoddesdon
Slicing of NHS cake

Needs of residents

Transport:

- Very poor access from Broxbourne Borough by public transport to any local hospital
- Health shuttle service started in recognition of this need, a partnership between Broxbourne Council and HCC.
- Car ownership low in areas of deprivation
By car

Comparison Journey times from Cheshunt

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>Chase Farm</th>
<th>QEII</th>
<th>Lister</th>
<th>PAH Harlow</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Quickest</td>
<td>18.3 km</td>
<td>32.5 km</td>
<td>48.5 km</td>
<td>20.6 km</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>17 min</td>
<td>27 min</td>
<td>35 min</td>
<td>21 min</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Shortest</td>
<td>11.8 km</td>
<td>22.7km</td>
<td>34.7 km</td>
<td>20.6 km</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>25 min</td>
<td>36 min</td>
<td>41 min</td>
<td>21 min</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Slicing of NHS cake

Transport:
- Proposed moves of acute hospital services will make it more difficult to travel from Broxbourne to most of the acute hospitals to which Broxbourne residents are likely to be referred.
- Local provision of services, e.g. by GPs and at Cheshunt Community hospital could address this gap.
Needs of residents

Ethnicity:

- Growing population in Broxbourne Borough of migrant workers and people for whom English is not their first language

- E.g. 10% of primary school entrants in Waltham Cross are Turkish speakers.

- Non English speakers less likely to be registered with a GP

Location of Cheshunt Community hospital in relation to deprivation
Slicing of NHS cake

Ethnicity:

- Investment in primary care required
- Access to urgent care centres locally would address these issues.

Darzi Review of the NHS
(terms of reference)

“The review should help support local patients, staff and the public in making the changes they need and want in their local NHS and make recommendations to the Prime Minister, Secretary of State for Health and Chancellor on how the NHS can best meet these challenges whilst delivering a publicly funded, comprehensive, affordable, high-quality service on the basis of need and not ability to pay. It will report by June 2008 with an interim report in October 2007.”
Pledge 8: We will halve the difference in life expectancy between the poorest 20% of our communities and the rest of England

Broxbourne: Difference of 2.5 years in life expectancy between Waltham Cross and Hoddesdon

Collaborative approach between acute and primary sectors

Cheshunt Community Hospital (CCH)
- Outpatient services run by Barnet and Chase Farm NHS Trust
- Building owned by E & N Herts PCT
- Residents who attend GP surgeries in Broxbourne & Hoddesdon are not referred to this service as they go to PAH (Harlow) or QEII (Hoddesdon), although CCH is nearer
- Collaboration between acute providers (E & N Herts NHS Trust, Barnet and Chase Farm NHS Trust and E & N Herts PCT) needed to ensure access to services at CCH is available to ALL local residents.
Barnet, Enfield and Haringey Clinical Strategy

- **Movement of services away from residents of Broxbourne Borough**
- **Chase Farm is the nearest hospital for many Broxbourne borough residents**
- **Greatest effect on those living in the south of the Borough. i.e. the most deprived areas**

### Conclusion

- Proposed changes will move services further away from Broxbourne Borough residents
- Residents of Broxbourne Borough are not receiving a fair slice of the NHS cake
- Mitigation measures could include:
  - an urgent care centre at Cheshunt Community Hospital
  - further investment in primary care
  - investment in transport services including the ambulance service
  - Increased range of outpatient services at Cheshunt Community Hospital.