Focus on Sustainable Development

Introduction

The priority theme for today's meeting is Sustainable Health provision. Three presentations are being given.

The Health Infrastructure Working Group has been meeting over the past year to discuss issues relating to sustainable health provision particularly given the growth in Ashford. The group includes NHS England, NHS Property Services, CCG (Canterbury and Coastal) and KCC Strategic Commissioning.

Presentation 1

Preparing for Growth - Simon Cole, Policy Manager, Planning and Development, Ashford Borough Council

Simon will outline the timeline for the development of the new Local Plan and supporting Infrastructure Schedule which will be effective up to 2030. He will explain the importance of such planning to inform decisions where development should be located. The need to understand the flexibility of existing health and community buildings and potential demand for new development is key.

Presentation 2

The Next Five Years – Simon Perks, NHS Ashford CCG's Accountable Officer

Simon will present an overview of how services for the Ashford area may look in the next five years following the implementation of the CCG's Five Year Forward View. This will include changes in how services are provided, by who and what the impact of Community Networks maybe.

Presentation 3

Planning for the Future - Stephen Ingram, Head of Primary Care, NHS England South (South East)

This presentation reports on the direction of travel for NHS England South and how they are helping to identify future service and asset requirements given demographic trends and the need for an integrated approach to health service provision.

The AHWB is asked to:

- a) Note the need for the partners to provide policy direction and infrastructure detail to support the drafting of the Local Plan; and
- b) Agree for the Health Infrastructure Working Group to consider the draft on behalf of the Ashford Health and Wellbeing Board.