

PETITIONS, DEPUTATIONS AND QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

MEETING: Special Health and Wellbeing Board

MEETING DATE: 22 February 2022

No.	Petition, deputation or question	Name of Speaker	On Behalf Of
1	Question with notice	Mr Godfrey Jennings	20 Newtown Road Uppingham LE15 9TS

DETAILS

The Implementation Plan, as presented to the Adults & Health Scrutiny Committee on 17th February 2022, is nothing more than a list of aspirations. It is notable that no reference is made about the future of RMH or any possible equivalent facility, which appears to be an ominous harbinger for Rutland, given the Government's objective of seeking to place more non-acute care closer to patients. The outputs expected from the current Plan are ill-defined and typically within unspecified timescales and with no associated financial budget. Responsibility for delivery is also not clearly defined.

It follows that it is not possible for either Councillors or residents to assess progress or outcomes against any properly detailed plan. The absence of necessary detail in the Rutland Plan stands in stark contrast to the submissions of Leicester / Leicestershire.

Why then should Rutland residents have any confidence that when the Plan is submitted for review by the ICS it will be afforded the same degree of consideration of health priorities as that given to Leicester and Leicestershire?

No.	Petition, deputation or question	Name of Speaker	On Behalf Of
1	Question with short notice	Mrs Susan Pickwoad	2 The Tannery, Barrowden, Rutland, LE15 8EA

DETAILS

What are the plans for Rutland Memorial Hospital, what services will be offered there and will this include additional diagnostics and out-patient consultations?

RESPONSE TO BOTH QUESTIONS

I can confirm that we have looked at plans from across the country to see exemplars of plans. It is worth pointing out that Leicester City Council updated their existing strategy; we chose to rewrite. That being said, their delivery plan encompasses 16 pages of detail but they too do not give specific timeframes or finer detail on measurable outcomes.

Our delivery plan stretches to 41 pages and does include overlining details of the lead funding and indicative timescales. Some elements are still unknown as it is a developing plan.

The plans for Rutland Memorial Hospital (RMH) and the services offered will be detailed by the Rutland Strategic Health Group as part of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy. The Rutland Health and Wellbeing Board will receive regular reports on the proposed plans for RMH and the progress of those proposed plans.

I can draw your attention to 4.2.2 and 4.2.3 of the Initial Delivery Plan, which specifically talks of work around Rutland Memorial Hospital and the delivery of services within our community.

I will finish by giving reassurance that under the Integrated Care System, Rutland is a Place in its own right and will be given the same consideration as the other two places. Indeed partners around the table share that view.

Councillor S Harvey
Portfolio Holder for Health, Wellbeing and Adult Care