

THE RED HOUSE FORUM

MEETING OF 9th DEC 2013

MEMORANDUM ON THE PATHWAY OF ACTION IN RESPECT OF THE 'HEALTH AND WELLNESS CAMPUS' PLAN

David Law and Mark Carman provided an update of the progress of the redevelopment planned for Harpenden Memorial Hospital which was discussed at some length.

Points of Note:

1. Project Phase 1

Herts NHS Community Trust Board has approved the outline business case and given it strong backing. This completes Phase 1 of the project.

2. Budget for Developing the Detailed Business Case

£50,000 has been earmarked for expenditure during the rest of this financial year and a sum in the region of £0.5m is being considered as necessary to be included in the 2014/2015 budget for carrying forward the proposal.

3. Project Phase 2.

The current outline business case now has to be transformed into a detailed one. The following steps will now take place:

a. Legal

- i. scrutiny of the title in regard to site and discovery of any restrictions and covenants

b. Site Survey

- i. a complete survey of the site

c. Design Specification

- i. An outline architectural model of the proposed 'campus'
- ii. This will involve working closely with Herts CC and others

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in terms of the balance of a 'mixed economy' of care beds, respite beds, nursing home beds etc)

d. Procurement

- i. Develop a financial model to serve to procure the development, incorporating the likely inclusion of a health charity/private partner and ensuring financial viability for HCT.
4. The detailed business case will be presented to the NHS Trust Development Authority which now vets all such applications. Contact has already been made with its 'Gateway Panel', an advisory and monitoring body designed to assist applicants to negotiate the Authority's necessarily complex schedule.
 5. Concurrently, a vital exercise will be developed on the service delivery front, involving Herts Valleys Clinical Commissioning Group and other likely contributors to scope out the overall pattern of services that will be offered at the Health and Well-being Campus. In this connection, the importance of links with the Luton and Dunstable Hospital as well as the West Herts Hospital was urged and accepted.
 6. The emerging time-table is as follows:

| STAGE | ITEM | COMPLETION |
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| 1 | Develop the vision | September 2013 |
| 2 | Consult widely | October 2013 |
| 3 | HCT Board agree an option | December 2013 |
| 4 | Architects and Surveyors plans | Feb/March 2014 |

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| 5 | Financial Consulting. Best option for delivery of the scheme | March/April 2014 |
| 6 | Apply to NHS Trust Authority for approval | August 2014 |
| 7 | Tender Process | February 2015 |
| 8 | Appoint Development Partner | February 2015 |
| 9 | Detailed site planning | February 2016 |
| 10 | Commence Build | March 2016 |
| 11 | Handover | September 2017 |

6. The Forum was relieved to hear that Mark Carman would remain in post and was also looking at estate provision across the county. He described the plan as 'a game-changer' and both he and David Law indicated that others were really interested in the model and that locations – for instance in Stevenage, Hemel Hempstead and Borehamwood – might be having genetically modified versions of what David Law calls the Harpenden 'guinea pig'.

PLEASE NOTE; THE NEXT MEETING OF THE RED HOUSE FORUM WILL BE AT 9.0 AM MONDAY 27 JANUARY 2014 AT PARK HALL

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