

<b>DECISION-MAKER:</b>	HEALTH OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	DENTISTRY IN SOUTHAMPTON
<b>DATE OF DECISION:</b>	7 NOVEMBER 2024
<b>REPORT OF:</b>	NHS HAMPSHIRE AND ISLE OF WIGHT

<b><u>CONTACT DETAILS</u></b>		
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### **STATEMENT OF CONFIDENTIALITY**

N/A

### **BRIEF SUMMARY**

This paper is to provide an update and overview of dentistry and dental services across Southampton for the Health and Overview Scrutiny Panel. Due to the nature of dentistry as explained in previous updates, much of the information and context around challenges facing NHS dental care is similar across Hampshire and the Isle of Wight and in some cases, more difficult than elsewhere in the country.

The paper covers the challenges, the current national contract and the steps taken by NHS Hampshire and Isle of Wight to work with providers and try to improve access to NHS dental care in Southampton.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

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| (i) | That the Panel notes the report. |
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### **REASONS FOR REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS**

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| 1. | To update the Panel on the current circumstances of dentistry locally. |
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### **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED**

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| 2. | N/A |
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### **DETAIL (Including consultation carried out)**

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| 3. | We know there are issues in Southampton regarding patients accessing dentistry via the NHS and addressing this is the primary focus of the ICB around dentistry. This report outlines the context and background of dentistry within the city and further afield as well as the current situation and next steps to improve access. |
| 4. | The ICB took over delegated responsibility for dentistry in July 2022 and since then, we have been working with our communities and partners to address the needs of patients. Currently, there is a national workforce issue which is being felt at a local level across Hampshire and Isle of Wight.                              |
| 5. | The ICB however has found ways to commission further NHS dentistry activity within Southampton and the wider county. Additional funding has recently been approved looking forward to further short-term projects that will also improve  |

	access for patients within the city, while looking at a more long-term solution to workforce.
6.	We need to continue working as one system together with our local authority partners to ensure these positive steps continue, while being clear with the challenges that ICB is facing, including at a national contract level.
<b>RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS</b>	
<b><u>Capital/Revenue</u></b>	
7.	N/A
<b><u>Property/Other</u></b>	
8.	N/A
<b>LEGAL IMPLICATIONS</b>	
<b><u>Statutory power to undertake proposals in the report:</u></b>	
9.	N/A
<b><u>Other Legal Implications:</u></b>	
10.	N/A
<b>RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS</b>	
11.	N/A
<b>POLICY FRAMEWORK IMPLICATIONS</b>	
12.	N/A

<b>KEY DECISION?</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>WARDS/COMMUNITIES AFFECTED:</b>	ALL
<b><u>SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION</u></b>	
<b>Appendices</b>	
1.	Dentistry in Southampton update paper
2.	Public Health Oral Health Update
<b>Documents In Members' Rooms</b>	
1.	None
<b>Equality Impact Assessment</b>	
Do the implications/subject of the report require an Equality and Safety Impact Assessment (ESIA) to be carried out?	No
<b>Data Protection Impact Assessment</b>	
Do the implications/subject of the report require a Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA) to be carried out?	No
<b>Other Background Documents</b>	
<b>Other Background documents available for inspection at:</b>	

<b>Title of Background Paper(s)</b>	<b>Relevant Paragraph of the Access to Information Procedure Rules / Schedule 12A allowing document to be Exempt/Confidential (if applicable)</b>
1.	None