

Request for Scrutiny: Community Dental Service and Seacroft Clinic

I wish to make a formal request for the Scrutiny Board (Adults and Health) to consider the following matters in (more) detail.

Community Dental Services proposals

While heartened to learn that the proposals around the Community Dental Service and Seacroft Clinic have been considered by a Scrutiny Board working group and even more reassured that the working group highlighted exactly the same concerns raised by the local ward members for Killingbeck and Seacroft: I would specifically request that the Scrutiny Board considers the following matters in (more) detail:

- What exactly service users were asked.
- How widely the consultation was carried out.
- What means of communication were used.
- What feedback was received.
- Whether dental practitioners were consulted as part of the Community Dental Services proposals and if so what their views were.

It should also be noted that I support the Scrutiny Board's request for more information around the evaluation process relating to the current service arrangements being trialled.

Seacroft Clinic

There is concern that Leeds Community Healthcare NHS Trust's ultimate aim is the complete closure of Seacroft Clinic and this will be facilitated by the gradual removal of services. It should be noted that the following information has already been requested by the local ward councillors, but as yet Leeds Community Healthcare NHS Trust has not yet provided this information. As such, I would specifically ask the Scrutiny Board to request and consider:

- Details of all services currently offered from Seacroft Clinic (including days/times when services can be accessed).
- Details of which services have been withdrawn or relocated from Seacroft Clinic in the last two years.
- Details of any proposals / plans to withdraw any other services from Seacroft Clinic in the near future.

In addition, I would also ask the Scrutiny Board to consider the impact of proposals to build a new clinic elsewhere in East Leeds on the services currently delivered from Seacroft Clinic and the clinic's long term future.

I am pleased that many of the points raised have been covered by the working group but my concerns go beyond the proposals for the Dental Service alone and centre on the long term future of the clinic and the impact its closure would have on health outcomes in my ward.

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