Office of the Trust Special Administrator – clarification on draft recommendations

We would like to clarify some points on the Trust Special Administrator's draft recommendations on making the best use of buildings owned and leased by South London Healthcare NHS Trust (SLHT) and transforming healthcare services in south east London.

Beckenham Beacon

Firstly the recommendation on SLHT ending the lease of Beckenham Beacon is not proposing services are not provided at this site in the future, just that SLHT will not be the organisation delivering them.

Bromley Clinical Commissioning Group will consider what primary and community care should be provided from the Beckenham Beacon site in the future to meet the needs of local communities

Reducing how much SLHT spends on buildings that are not used as well as they could be will mean that more money can be spent on patient care.

Lewisham Hospital A&E

The recommendation on transforming the way health services are delivered in south east London will enable the area's healthcare system to meet the clinical standards for London and are not about closing services.

Whilst there will be some change for Lewisham Hospital analysis carried out by the hospital itself has shown that nearly 80% of patients who currently attend Lewisham's A&E would still be treated at the urgent care centre in the future. Critically ill or injured patients, who would therefore be taken to a major hospital in an ambulance, will be taken straight to a specialist unit. This is similar to what happens for stroke, heart attack and trauma patients now.

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Further information

The consultation on the Trust Special Administrator's draft recommendations finishes on 13 December 2012. You can have your say through taking part. For more information including consultation materials, consultation meetings and a questionnaire to provide your comments through visit www.tsa.nhs.uk

The consultation document can be found here: www.tsa.nhs.uk/sites/default/files/documents/TSA-Consultation-WEB-AW 0.pdf

The summary document can be found here: www.tsa.nhs.uk/sites/default/files/documents/TSA_SUMMARY_WEB.pdf

There are also frequently asked questions here: www.tsa.nhs.uk/sites/default/files/documents/Public%20FAQs%2029%20Oct%202012.pdf

There will be consultation events held in Bromley, details as follows:

Bromley

Thurs 22 Nov at 7pm
Crofton Halls
Crofton Road, Orpington, Kent BR6 8PR

Bromley

Mon 26 Nov at 10am
Bromley Court Hotel
Bromley Hill, Bromley, Kent BR1 4JD

You can view all of these events via our events calendar

www.tsa.nhs.uk/calendar/month/2012-11

Bromley

Mon 3 Dec at 2pm Crofton Halls Crofton Road, Orpington, Kent BR6 8PR