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Title of the report:	Update on Better Care Together (BCT); a health and social care change programme for Leicestershire, Leicester and Rutland
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Purpose of report: This paper provides an update on the progress of the BCT health and social care change programme for Leicestershire, Leicester and Rutland	
Background: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. In 2014 the NHS Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs), major NHS service providers and Local Authorities of Leicestershire, Leicester and Rutland (LLR) agreed to form a partnership to drive forward improvements to quality of care and system sustainability across LLR.2. BCT is entering its third year and has started to deliver change and has considered how some of the sustainability challenges that have existed within the LLR health system for over 10 years could be resolved.3. The major sustainability challenges include the need for a more streamline acute hospital if the hospital is to be sustainable in the future, being clear on the capacity and type of provision required in community hospital and local communities, to provide the most sustainable quality service and the sustainability of the maternity service.4. BCT operates via a matrix of projects and programmes embedded in the partner organisations and delivery is managed via cross organisational groups known as Work-streams. This model drives the change process to be embedded in the operational organisations, an essential learning from previous LLR change programmes.5. BCT covers a wide range of CCG and NHS England commissioned activity including some specialised services and primary medical care. In addition it considers better integration with local authority services, including but not limited to prevention and social care. It therefore provides the basis for the development of the LLR STP and contributes to<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Improved Health and Wellbeing• Improved care and quality• Ensuring financial sustainability.6. During years one and two the programme has delivered improvements to mental health services, started to increase the level of planned care delivered in the community hospitals and initiated the implementation of a number of initiatives to better	

support patients with Long Term Conditions

7. However much of the work of years one and two has been development of plans to be initiated from year three (this year) and preparing to consult the public on proposals to reconfigure acute, community and maternity services.
8. 2016/17 is therefore a critical year for the programme where the work-streams and partners will need to demonstrate that their plans can be implemented and can deliver both the quality and sustainability that will be described in the STP.
9. Delivering the proposed changes is a significant challenge for LLR health and social care partners.

Recommendations

NOTE the progress to date