

HEALTH SELECT COMMITTEE

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE HEALTH SELECT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 18 DECEMBER 2018 AT KENNET ROOM - COUNTY HALL, BYTHESEA ROAD, TROWBRIDGE, BA14 8JN.

Present:

Cllr Chuck Berry (Chairman), Cllr Gordon King (Vice-Chairman), Cllr Christine Crisp, Cllr Clare Cape, Cllr Gavin Grant, Cllr Andy Phillips, Cllr Pip Ridout, Cllr Fred Westmoreland, Cllr Graham Wright, Diane Gooch and Irene Kohler

Also Present:

Cllr Phil Alford

80 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Mary Champion, Cllr Howard Greenman, Cllr Mollie Groom and Cllr Deborah Halik.

The Chairman referred to the sad news of the passing of Clare Evans who had been Chair of the Wiltshire Centre for Independent Living (CIL) and its representative on this Committee. She was leaving an admirable legacy which the CIL would work tirelessly to honour.

The Chairman then welcomed Sue Denmark, the new Chair of CIL who was CIL's new representative on this Committee.

81 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Resolved:

To confirm and sign the minutes of the previous meeting held on 11 September 2018.

82 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest made at the meeting.

83 Chairman's Announcements

The Chairman made the following announcements:-

Places of Safety The Health Select Committee resolved on 6 March 2018 to receive the evaluation of the Places of Safety service, led by the CCG and involving service users, at its December 2018 meeting.

It was agreed this would include the outcome / analysis of the feedback that would be collected by providers, commissioners and Healthwatch to consider the impact the temporary closure was having on the populations of Swindon and Wiltshire and individuals using the service.

Work was currently ongoing this month (December 2018) on the two areas that would inform the report the committee had requested:

- service user experience (with user consent) and
- wider stakeholder feedback.

On this basis, a report should be available for the Health Select Committee at its March meeting.

Winter Preparedness A special meeting of the Health & Wellbeing Board had been held on Friday 14 December 2018 to consider the progress being made to tackle winter pressures. Cllr Gordon King, Vice-Chairman, reported that he had attended that meeting when it had been explained that efforts were being made to encourage the public to consult their GP surgeries or local pharmacies instead of attending hospital A & E departments wherever possible.

84 **Public Participation**

Mr A Milroy attended in order to make a statement about the Maternity Transformation Plan. He opted to make his statement when the Committee considered that item.

85 **Final report - CAMHS (Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services) task group**

The Chairman invited Cllr Phil Alford as Chairman of the CAMHS Task Group to introduce the Task Group's final report.

Cllr Alford reminded the meeting that the CAMHS Task Group was established jointly by the Children's Select Committee and this Committee to look at the re-commissioning of the CAMH service, access and referral points to CAMHS, as well as how this service fitted into the overall mental health offer for children and young people in Wiltshire. This final report would also be considered by the Children's Select Committee at its meeting on 8 January 2019.

Cllr Alford explained that the Task Group agreed that when comparing the re-commissioned model with the former CAMHS model, the changes to the service

had been made in appropriate areas and the commissioners had clearly been very forward-thinking in their efforts. Although there was still work to be done to truly capitalise on these changes and deliver even greater mental health outcomes for children and young people in Wiltshire, progress was being made. The key areas where the Task Group felt that CAMHS could deliver an even greater service related to accessibility, communication and transition arrangements between CAMHS and adult mental health.

During discussion, Members congratulated the Task Group on the valuable and important work it had been undertaking and highlighted the need identified for improved communication at all levels which it was noted would be investigated at greater level by the Task Group when it reconvened in September 2019.

Resolved:

- (1) To endorse the six recommendations as set out in the Task Group's report, with the addition to Recommendation 2 of "and previously looked after children" and to ask the Children's Select Committee to include this addition in its resolution when it considers the report on 8 January 2019.**
- (2) To endorse the areas the Task Group wishes to explore further to clarify any misinformation previously received.**
- (3) To receive a further update in due course in 2019.**

86 Wiltshire Safeguarding Adult Board - update

The Committee received an update from Richard Crompton, Independent Chair of the Wiltshire Safeguarding Adults Board, on the outcome of the safeguarding adults reviews considered by this Committee on 24 April 2018, in addition to other work undertaken by the Wiltshire Safeguarding Adult Board since then.

He reported that the Council, together with police and health partners, had launched a multi-agency safeguarding hub to improve outcomes for adults at risk.

Two reviews had been commissioned, one of which involved the death of a vulnerable, homeless adult and it was anticipated that valuable learning would be achieved from this exercise.

A self-assessment audit and peer challenge event identified key issues across the local system, including a need to increase understanding of adult safeguarding and of the Mental Capacity Act 2005. Following the peer challenge, the Board ran a learning event which was very well attended on the application of the Mental Capacity Act.

Wiltshire Council remained the majority funder but Wiltshire Clinical Commissioning Group and Wiltshire Police had increased their contributions to the Board to ensure that its work was multi-agency.

It was noted that one board manager and team now co-ordinated work across the Board and Community Safety Partnership to improve the effectiveness of partnership working.

After some discussion,

Resolved:

- (1) To note the contents of the verbal report.**
- (2) To receive the yearly update from the Wiltshire Safeguarding Adult Board and information on the three-year strategy at the Committee's meeting on 30 April 2019.**
- (3) To ask the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care to draw to the attention of Area Boards, via the Community Engagement Managers, the work of the Adult Safeguarding Board and the ways in which to refer any safeguarding concerns to the Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH).**

87. Maternity Transformation Plan

The views of Mr Andy Milroy, a local resident, were received who explained his objections to the Transformation Plan. He considered that the recent decision by Wiltshire Health Care to close Trowbridge Minor Injury Unit at night was a very dangerous precedent and meant that potentially any health service in Wiltshire could be closed arbitrarily with no public consultation. The Trowbridge Minor Injury Unit was the only all-night minor injury facility providing a service throughout the night in the whole of West and North Wiltshire, with patients travelling from surrounding towns including Devizes, Frome, Melksham and Warminster. He stressed the need for detailed statistical information which he considered was currently lacking. This was vital in order that a valid decision could be made following the public consultation exercise.

The Chairman, on behalf of the Committee, thanked Mr Milroy for his statement. It was reported that officers were in contact with Mr Milroy and it was noted that statistical data was becoming available. Members were informed that due to the costs involved in providing the current level of service maintaining the status quo was not an option.

87a Outcome report from the Rapid Scrutiny

The Committee received the outcome report from the rapid scrutiny exercise that took place on 12 November 2018 to consider the proposal for public

consultation on the Maternity Transformation Plan.

The Chairman reported that the rapid scrutiny received a detailed presentation on the Maternity Transformation Plan, including the reasons for the overall review of the services.

Based on the evidence received, the rapid scrutiny exercise made the following recommendations:-

- i) the public consultation on the Maternity Transformation Plan, as presented, be undertaken
- ii) the relevant Overview and Scrutiny committees for Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire councils be informed of
 - a) progress on the consultation
 - b) the outcome of the consultation

After some discussion,

Resolved:

- (1) To endorse the report and recommendations of the rapid scrutiny exercise.**
- (2) To receive an update on, or if available the outcome of, the consultation at the April 2019 meeting of this Committee**

87b Update from the CCG

The Committee received a verbal update on progress with regards to the public consultation on the Maternity Transformation Plan. A copy of the slides referred to in the update are attached at Appendix 1.

Resolved:

To note the update from the Clinical Commissioning Group.

88 Rapid Scrutiny - Cabinet Reports (contracts extension)

The Committee considered two reports from the Rapid Scrutiny exercises which took place on 8 November 2018.

The Chairman, as lead Member for the two exercises stated that he considered these to be valuable exercises and acknowledged the Cabinet Member's engagement as well as the enthusiasm and contributions from officers involved.

88a Rapid Scrutiny - Intermediate Care Bed Service

The Chairman introduced a report which set out the findings and recommendations of the rapid scrutiny exercise on an extension of intermediate care bed service contracts for 2019-2020. It was noted that due to the scheduling of meetings, this report was presented to Cabinet on 8 November 2018.

During discussion, it was recommended that the timings of meetings should be addressed to ensure whenever possible that task group recommendations could be considered by a Select Committee prior to proceeding to Cabinet.

On hearing from the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care, Public Health & Public Protection, it was noted that the review of beds had started in September 2018 and would conclude in February 2019. The rapid scrutiny had therefore invited the Cabinet Member to inform this Committee of the outcome of the review at its next meeting on 5 March 2019.

Resolved:

- (1) To endorse the report of the rapid scrutiny exercise.**
- (2) To request that the outcomes of the review, together with the Executive Response, be provided to the Committee at its meeting on 5 March 2019.**

88b Rapid Scrutiny - Exemption Request – Extension of Specialist Commissioning Contracts for Supported Living, Floating Support and Supported Housing

Consideration was given to a report which set out the findings of the rapid scrutiny exercise on an extension of specialist commissioning contracts for supported living, floating support and supported housing.

On hearing from the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care, Public Health & Public Protection,

Resolved:

- (1) To endorse the report of the rapid scrutiny exercise.**
- (2) To request that the Committee be provided at its next meeting in March with an update on the model for procurement that would be adopted following this review work, in terms of the “direction of travel” for the contracts, including the feedback from providers and service users and if possible highlighting the main changes from previous contracts.**

- (3) To request that the Committee, either at meetings or through its Chairman and Vice-Chairman, be kept informed of progress in terms of key milestones being reached on time for the work to be undertaken prior to tender.

89 **Task Group and Programme Boards Representatives Updates**

Resolved:

To note that there were no task group updates since the last meeting.

90 **Forward Work Programme**

The Committee received a document showing the relevant items from the Overview & Scrutiny Forward Work Programme.

Resolved:

To note the Forward Work Programme for this Committee.

91. **Urgent Items**

There were no items of urgent business.

92 **Date of Next Meeting**

Resolved:

- (1) To note that the next scheduled meeting of this Committee was due to be held on Tuesday 5 March 2019, starting at 2.00pm.
- (2) To agree that the June 2019 meeting of this Committee be moved from Tuesday 11 June at 2.30pm to Tuesday 25 June, starting at 10.30am.

(Duration of meeting: 10.30 am - 1.10 pm)

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Our proposal for change





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Background

- We began talking to women and families in 2017 about their experiences of pregnancy, labour and birth across the counties of B&NES, Swindon and Wiltshire
- We have now worked with over 2000 women and families, plus our staff and partner organisations
- Their feedback, together with national guidance such as 'Better Births', has led to development of a proposal for future maternity services across the BSW region
- Partner organisations include Great Western Hospital Trust, Salisbury District Hospital, Royal United Hospital Bath, and B&NES, Swindon and Wiltshire CCGs



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Changing needs of our population

- The average age of a woman giving birth is now 35
- More and more high risk pregnancies (e.g. high blood pressure, diabetes, obesity) which need medical support in a hospital setting
- Clinical deliveries, such as ventouse and forceps, are not possible at Free-standing Midwifery Units, nor is epidural pain relief
- Increasing pressure on services in our Obstetric Units at Royal United Hospital and Salisbury District Hospital

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Births in 2017/18

 **65%**
Mother or baby at increased risk of health problems

 **50%**
First time mothers who need to transfer from midwife led community hospital unit to obstetric unit in hospital for extra medical support with their birth

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Births in 2017/18

- 11,200 births in B&NES, Swindon and Wiltshire

85%		Obstetric Unit (of these 65% were high-risk women and 20% were low-risk women)
6%		Freestanding Midwifery Units (Royal United Hospital)
7%		Alongside Midwifery Unit (Great Western Hospital)
2%		Home births

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Post-natal community hospital beds

- 9 Post natal beds available in the community:
 -  5 in Paulton  4 in Chippenham
- Originally intended to provide breastfeeding support only
- Between January and December 2017, they were empty 95% of the year
- 89 ante and post natal beds available for women who need medical support before and after their baby is born – at Royal United Hospital, Great Western Hospital and at Salisbury District Hospital

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Right staff, right place, right time

- We don't always have right staff in the right place at the right time to offer the services women want to receive and we want to provide. This is a particular challenge for Royal United Hospital
- Staff have told us what works well and what needs to change
- We have the right number and mix of staff, but they're not based in the right locations, so we can't provide service we want to and is not efficient use of our staff
- RUH staff currently supporting births across four community midwifery units, the hospital obstetric unit and home births, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week



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RUH in a 24 hour period – actual staff numbers, clinics, home visits, births



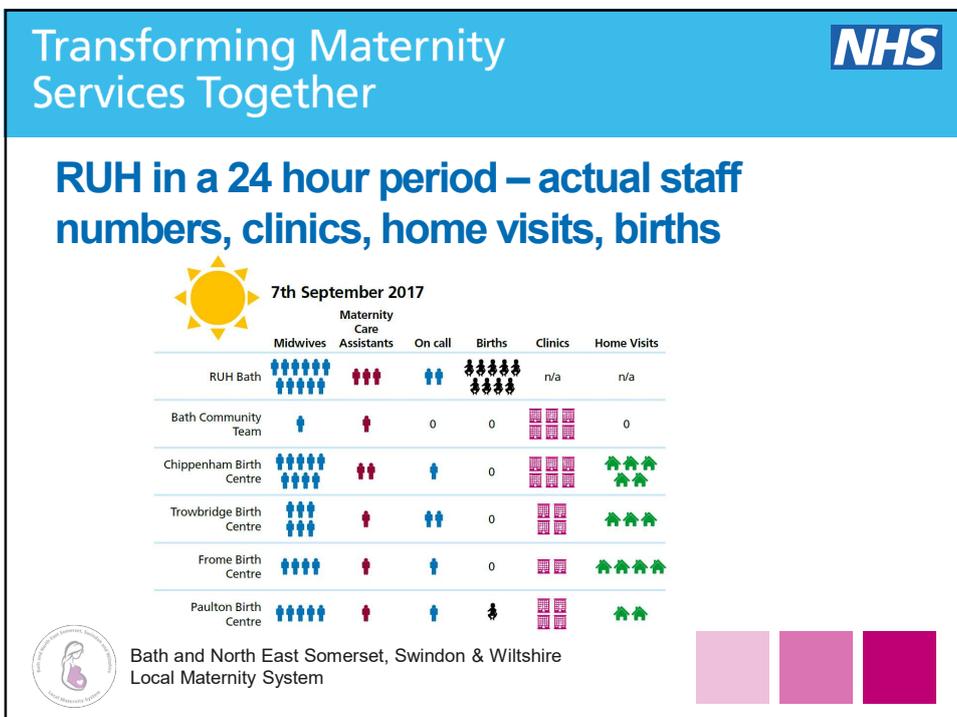
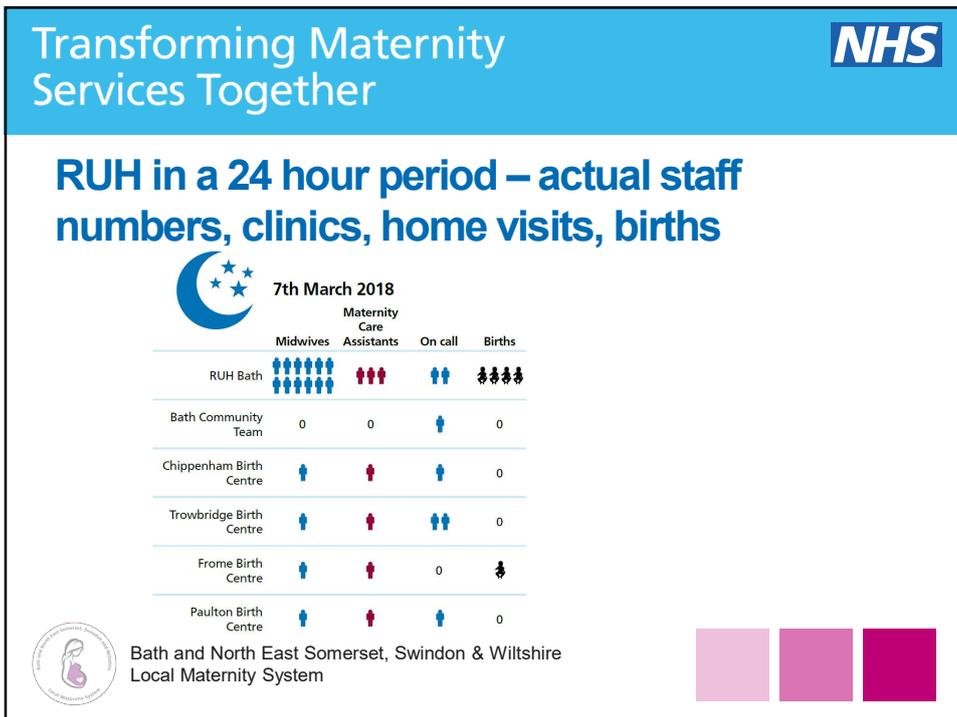
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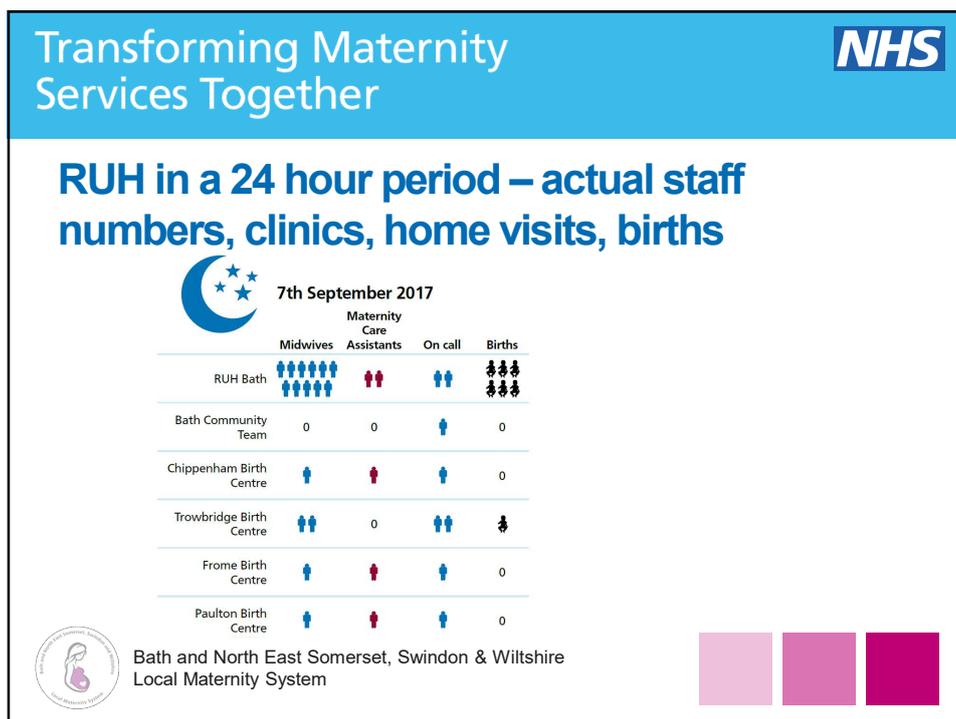
	Midwives	Maternity Care Assistants	On call	Births	Clinics	Home Visits
RUH Bath					n/a	n/a
Bath Community Team			0	0		0
Chippenham Birth Centre						
Trowbridge Birth Centre				0		
Frome Birth Centre			0	0		
Paulton Birth Centre				0		



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Issues

- Staff too busy looking after empty beds and buildings or travelling from community hospitals with very low births to extremely busy obstetric units, often at short notice, which they dislike
- Frustrating for staff – effect on morale, retention and skills
- We want to increase opportunity for home births but staff are not able to promote and support due to existing working patterns
- Birth rates expected to increase – an additional 200 births a year
- Due to small number of births in community hospitals, cost of supporting these births is higher than Obstetric unit
- We're not giving women the service they want

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Our proposal 1

- Continue supporting births in 2, rather than 4 Community hospital units
- Women will be able to deliver their baby at **Chippenham** or **Frome**
- Antenatal and postnatal clinics will continue at Chippenham, Trowbridge, Frome and Paulton
- Trowbridge and Paulton proposed as pilot sites for our new community hub model of care
- Detailed analysis to support decision to continue to support births at Chippenham and Frome

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Our proposal 2 & 3

- To create **two new Alongside Midwifery Units**, one at **Salisbury District Hospital** and one at **Royal United Hospital Bath**
- Will provide more women with opportunity for midwife-led birth. Two new units will be in addition to the White Horse Alongside Midwifery Unit at Great Western Hospital
- Allows women easy access to obstetric unit if required, without need to be ambulated whilst in labour

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Our proposal **2 & 3**

Around 800 babies are born at our obstetric units in Bath, Salisbury and Swindon every month



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Our proposal **4 & 5**

- We propose to **improve our range of antenatal and postnatal services**, e.g. more breastfeeding support, to women in their own homes, and to develop community hubs to enhance our antenatal and postnatal care
- We want to **support more women to give birth at home** if that is their preferred choice

 **2%**
women have their baby at home

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Our proposal 6

- We're proposing to **replace our community postnatal beds at Chippenham and Paulton** with support closer to or in women's homes.
- Women who need to be admitted for medical treatment after giving birth would continue to be treated at their local obstetric unit at one of the acute hospitals at Bath, Salisbury or Swindon

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Our proposal 6

9 
 there are 4 postnatal beds at the FMU in Chippenham and 5 at Paulton FMU

95% 
 of the time beds in our FMUs are unused or empty as women rarely need to stay in community hospital after giving birth

89 
 beds available at our Obstetric Units at our local acute hospitals for women who need them

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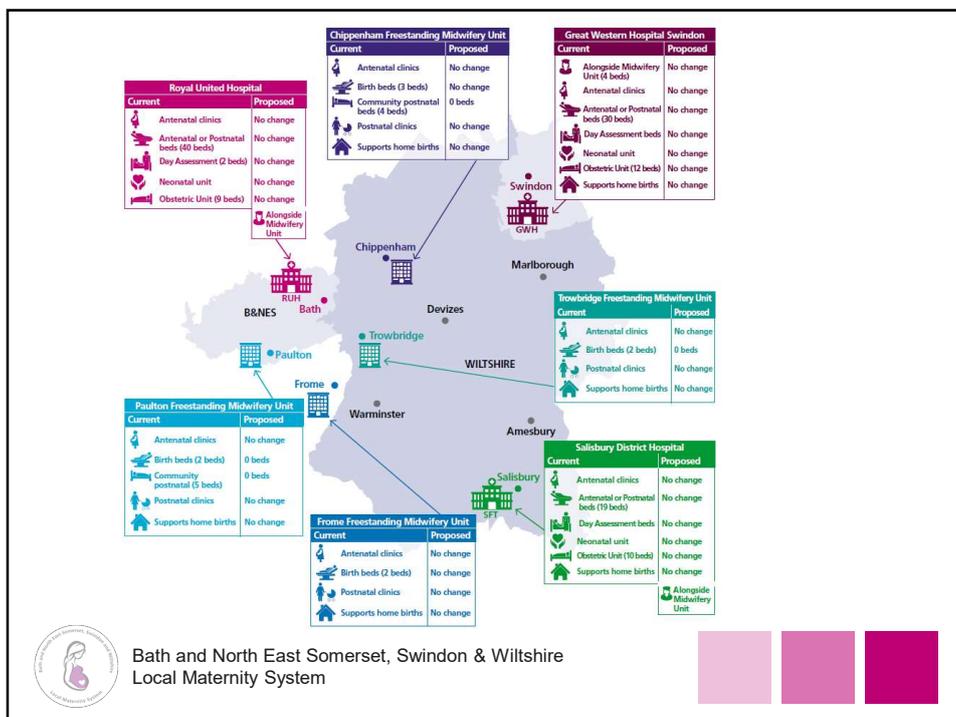


Benefits of our proposal

- We can provide **more choice** for more women across our area about where and how they are supported **before, during and after the birth of their child**
- We can make **better use of our resources and workforce** so we can further improve our antenatal and postnatal and birth services
- We can **improve continuity of care and carer** for women
- We can **enhance and improve our home birth service**
- **Free up our staff**, so they are able to **maintain their skills, improve their motivation** and provide the services they want to women who need them



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Future finances

- We are **NOT** planning to **reduce how much we spend** on maternity services
- We are **NOT** reducing the numbers of staff we have
- We are **NOT** closing any buildings
- We want to make more efficient use of our existing budget, resources and our staff to provide more services, not less for women and families across our area.
- Some of the changes we are proposing are because certain services are underused and we are often staffing empty buildings and empty beds

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Future finances

£42.6m spent on maternity services across B&NES, Swindon and Wiltshire in 2017/18

11,000 women supported to give birth locally in 2017/18



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If we don't change ...

- There will continue to be a difference in choice, quality and access from across B&NES, Swindon and Wiltshire
- Miss out on: meeting recommendations and best practice set out in national guidance, improved continuity of care and carer, improved birth place environment, improved support for breastfeeding
- The current model will continue to cost us £1million more a year

We won't be providing the changes that women and families and our staff have told us they want us to make

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We want to hear your views



- Consultation runs from 12 November to 24 February 2019
- Information on our website:
www.transformingmaternity.org.uk
including dates of public meetings
- Consultation documents, key facts documents, response forms

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