

WORKPLAN ITEM CLOSER TO HOME

ATTENDANCE - SUZANNE LOFTHOUSE COPELAND LOCALITY SUPPORT OFFICER NHS Cumbria

Members requested the attendance of PCT officials to assist them with their scrutiny of the Closer to Home findings reported to them at their meeting on 4th February 2010 as set out in 'NHS Cumbria Up Date on Closer to Home June 2009', to which Members are advised to refer when preparing for this meeting.

Members sought further information as follows:

1. Which aspects of Closer to Home are working well, which aspects are working badly, for example, what is the up to date position in opthamology/pathology,
2. What is the position with the community hospitals, is the money for them still secure in the light of cutbacks, how are Social Services coping with this transition,
3. Is the community ventures money still available and working,
4. Please can we have an update on the LIFT project.
5. Specific points on the report
 - (i) Local Community Services – DESMOND (Diabetes and Self Management for Ongoing and Newly Diagnosed p 4 – 2nd paragraph), has this happened, how was it rolled out,
 - (ii) Local Community Services – DESMOND (p 4 - 3rd paragraph), is this working, are 30 health care professionals sufficient.
 - (iii) Local Community Services – Community Night Nurses (p 4 6th paragraph) is this working, whose umbrella looks after it,
 - (iv) New future for Community Hospitals re Millom, reduction of beds, how does community night nursing reduce admissions to hospitals. (p 5)