



5 March 2020

To: Members of the Health Services Task and Finish Group (Councillors D Bowater, R Goodchild, V Harvey, S Jones, T Morris, S Owen and B J Spurr)
(Copies to all Town Councillors for information)

NOTICE OF MEETING

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of **Health Services Task and Finish Group** to be held on **Thursday, 5 March 2020** commencing at **3.00 pm** in the Council Chamber.

**THIS MEETING MAY
BE RECORDED ***

M Saccoccio
Town Clerk

AGENDA

1. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR**
2. **APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIR**
3. **APOLOGIES & INTRODUCTIONS**

Schedule 12 of the Local Government Act 1972 requires a record be kept of the Members present and that this record form part of the minutes of the meeting. Members who cannot attend a meeting should tender apologies to the Town Clerk.

4. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

(i) Under the Localism Act 2011 (sections 26-37 and Schedule 4) and in accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct, Members are required to declare any interests which are not currently entered in the Member's Register of Interests or if he/she has not notified the Monitoring Officer of it.

(ii) Should any Member have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in an item on the agenda, the Member may not participate in consideration of that item unless a Dispensation has first been requested (in writing) and granted by the Council (see Dispensation Procedure).

5. **QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

To receive questions and statements from members of the public in respect of any item of business included in the agenda, as provided for in Standing Order

No.s 3(f) and 3(g).

6. GROUP AIMS

To formally agree the aims of the Health Services Task and Finish group and to determine next steps. Draft aims below:

1. To press Bedfordshire Clinical Commissioning Group (BCCG) and Central Bedfordshire Council's Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) to bring forward proposals urgently for a Leighton-Linslade Health Hub as part of a planned approach to improved localisation of hospital services for local residents and to secure the town's fair share of Government investment in the localisation agenda.
2. To press for the development of that Plan to include local GPs and professions ancillary, patient groups and the Town Council, to promote, encourage and support early and regular consultation with residents of the parish in terms of the services to be provided and the location of the Hub.
3. To pursue, in consultation with the three groups mentioned above, that this comprehensive Plan shall include:
 - (a) A Leighton-Linslade Hub providing a range of services that are currently provided by hospitals or not at all
 - (b) The accommodation and investment requirements of existing GP surgeries in the town
 - (c) Planned GP surgeries serving the new developments on the eastern side of the town and also Linslade residents, who used to have two GP surgeries but now had none.

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