



# Integrated Care Board

## Board Meeting Bulletin | 28 March 2023

We are pleased to also share below the key agreements and updates from the March NHS Lincolnshire ICB Board meeting below, in accordance with our four core purposes.

The Chair opened the meeting with a personal thank you and appreciation of the huge volume of work wider partners in the system had undertaken to deliver health and care services to the people of Lincolnshire, which has resulted in improved trajectory in some of the key performance indicators across the county.

### 1. To improve outcomes in population health and healthcare

The Board heard from ICB operational leaders regarding progress that had been made against some of the national NHS targets. With regard to service delivery indicators, the Board was impressed with the position reached on 78-week waits, which had shown positive improvement. The Board also noted good improvement in relation to our cancer targets, with particularly strong improvement having been made in colorectal cancer waiting times.

In addition, the Board heard from the Chief Executive about the recently published staff survey results in Lincolnshire and was delighted to note that ULHT is one of the most improved NHS Trusts in the country, LPFT and LCHS continue to enjoy strong positions nationally amongst their peers, and that the ICB was ranked in the top three nationally.

### 2. To tackle inequalities in outcomes, experience and access

The Board received a presentation from guest, Ian Fytche, Chief Executive of North Kesteven District Council, regarding Lincolnshire's District Councils' joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy. This was well received, indicating again the shared commitment across the county towards a continuous focus and improvement on health outcomes. This was in the context of the health challenges which the population of Lincolnshire faces, this was also described to the Board by Professor Derek Ward, Director of Public Health in the county, in presenting his annual Director of Public Health report, which the Board formally recorded. The Board thanked its partners in both the County Council and the District Councils for their excellent work and strong partnership approach alongside the ICB.

### 3. To enhance productivity and value for money

The Board was pleased to note continued strong performance and improvement across a range of key priorities for the NHS in the county. In particular, the Board noted a good improvement in the overall system financial position to one of a £17 m deficit for 2022/23. This system financial position met the NHSE revised financial target for 2022/23 and provided a strong platform for continued financial improvement in 2023/24. The Board congratulated all the system partner organisations leading and contributing to this improvement but noted the need for a continued focus on financial performance.

### 4. To help the NHS support broader social and economic development

An update was received on the NHS 2023/24 Operational Plan, with a focus on the partnership approach across the county and good progress towards completion. The Operation Plan covers three main areas; COVID, Long Term Planning Assumptions, and NHS Transformation. Key stakeholders have worked together to align priorities and objectives for the period, and synergies with the Integrated Care Partnership Strategy and concurrent work on the NHS Joint Forward Plan in the county were being maintained.

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