

Your reference number is EIA215053721.

Thank you for submitting Equality Impact Assessment

Name of project or proposal (required): Clarence Unit at Woodcot Lodge

Is this project a Transformation project? (required): Neither

Name of accountable officer (required): Karen Ashton

Email (required): Karen.ashton@hants.gov.uk

Department (required): Corporate Services

Date of assessment (required): 08/06/2020

Is this a detailed or overview EIA? (required): Detailed

Describe the current service or policy. This question has a limit of 700 characters; approximately 100 words (required): Initiative in response to COVID-19. Builds as business as usual in HCC Care, the services to be provided at the Clarence Unit, Woodcot Lodge are aimed at adults and older people (generally people 55+). These people are likely to have long term conditions and may have manageable dementia. The service will be a positive benefit to individuals who will be supported by dedicated nursing, care, therapy, and social work staff to recover and recuperate following their hospital admission.

Geographical impact (required): East Hampshire, Fareham, Gosport, Havant

Describe the proposed change. This question has a limit of 700 characters; approximately 100 words (required): The short stay facility will offer step down care to assess on-going care needs during a 28 day stay, either returning to independence in their own home, receiving further reablement to increase their independence in the at home, being supported by a package of care at home or a decision about a permanent care setting. By making this decision after a person has recovered from the acute phase of an illness, evidence suggests the outcome is more appropriate. It will also offer 14-day isolation. Without this service, people may prematurely require other forms of permanent long-term care such as residential or nursing care.

Who does this impact assessment cover? (required): Service users

Has engagement or consultation been carried out? (required): Yes

Describe the consultation or engagement you have performed or are intending to perform. This question has a limit of 700 characters; approximately 100 words (required): Engagement with system Partners has been constant throughout this project. Specific engagement has taken place regarding the service specification, health professionals input, service demand and service user type and communications have also occurred.

Age (required): Positive

Impact (required): Adults and older persons generally of age 55+ years experiencing hospital admissions have been shown to show some deterioration while remaining in hospital following an assessment of medically fit to discharge. This service will support quicker discharge into a reablement and therapy service and prevent prolonged stays in acute health settings, achieving a better outcome.

Disability (required): Positive

Impact (required): People with long term conditions will receive specific reablement and therapy services along with their day to day care. They will also receive a thorough assessment of needs to ensure their onward care is the most appropriate for their long-term conditions and aims to increase their independence

Sexual orientation (required): Neutral

Race (required): Neutral

Religion or belief (required): Neutral

Gender reassignment (required): Neutral

Gender (required): Neutral

Marriage or civil partnership (required): Neutral

Pregnancy and maternity (required): Neutral

Poverty (required): Neutral

Rurality (required): Neutral

Any other brief information which you feel is pertinent to this assessment (optional): The County Council recognises that there is a requirement to ensure that ongoing care arrangements should enable people to maintain their relationships with their spouses, partners, wider family members and friends. Whilst they will be in isolation during their stay virtual contact and other means of keeping in touch will be available. Furthermore, the service will be of positive benefit to the care market in limiting the spread of COVID-19 in the community.

Please confirm that the accountable officer has agreed the contents of this form (required): Yes