

## **FOI - Danebridge Medical Practice**

### **Subject: Freedom of Information request (FOI # 1) Business Case and Practice Plan**

1. In the FAQ sheet attached to your letter to households, you refer to patient responses being added to “the Business Case”. Please provide a copy of this Business Case, redacted with any personal information if applicable.
2. Please provide a copy of your Practice Plan detailing your proposal to close Sandiway Surgery and explaining how you will re-allocate your resources, manpower, services and appointment availability across the 2 sites, in order to deliver on your GP contract, redacted with any personal information if applicable.
3. Please provide a copy of any Service Level Agreements or Key Performance Indicators attached to your GP Contract, including current levels of performance for each surgery.

### **Subject: Freedom of Information request (FOI # 2) Decision Making Process**

In the letter to households FAQ # 15, you refer to a report being produced for Vale Royal CCG.

1. What is the decision-making process following your request to close Sandiway Surgery?
2. Are any other decision-making bodies involved?
3. What criteria are considered by each decision-making body at each stage of the process?
4. On the Vale Royal CCG website, it states that Dr McGregor-Smith is a member of the Vale Royal CCG Governing Body. Will she recuse herself from the decision-making process, given that she is also Executive Partner at Danebridge Medical Practice?
5. What is the expected timescale for each stage of the decision-making process?
6. What is the appeals process in case of any decision made?

### **Subject: Freedom of Information request (FOI # 3) “Investment needed”**

In FAQ no. 1, you state “it would require a very large investment to bring the premises up to standard, which is simply not available”.

1. On what basis is this statement made? Please list each improvement required as a result of the Care Quality Commission Inspection report dated June 2019, including for each item:
  - a. specifications e.g. building dimensions, product requirements, plans and drawings.
  - b. quotations or estimates received
2. Please list the funding sources you have explored, and why each one is not available?
3. Please confirm what steps you have taken to investigate selling the Sandiway Surgery estate to a third party and then leasing it back. This would free up capital enabling improvements to be made to the building structure and facilities.
4. Please confirm what priorities and timings for each improvement have been given by the CQC in their report
5. Please confirm whether any of the investment need is in relation to any current statutory regulations that are not being met

### **Subject: Freedom of Information request (FOI # 4) “Various (or alternative) solutions”**

In your letter to households, you state that in the past 12 months you “have tried various solutions to keep the surgery open.”

1. List each solution considered, give details of any actions taken to explore each potential solution and reasons why you decided not to pursue each solution
2. Are there any other solutions that you have not pursued that would enable the surgery to remain open, and if so, why not? Please include as a minimum:
  - a. An approach to Weaverham Medical Practice to ask whether they would take over Sandiway branch surgery
  - b. An approach to Winsford Medical Practice to ask whether they would take over Sandiway branch surgery
  - c. An approach to General Practitioners wishing to set up their own Partnership to see if they would take over Sandiway surgery

**Subject: Freedom of Information request (FOI # 5) Household Survey**

**A. Survey Distribution**

1. Was a survey posted to all households registered with Danebridge Medical Practice, or to a subsegment of the households on the Danebridge Medical Practice patient list?
2. If surveys were sent to a subsegment, what criteria did you use to select those who would be sent a postal survey? We are aware of households within Cuddington & Sandiway that use Danebridge Medical Practice yet did not receive a survey.
3. How many surveys were posted, and on what date(s)?
4. Did all Care Home residents receive a letter, or was one letter sent per Care Home?

**B. Survey Responses**

1. As each household only received one survey, will you multiply the responses at all? Yes or No?
  - a. If no, why have you made this decision?
  - b. If yes, on what basis, is it:
    - i. The number of registered patients living in that household, or
    - ii. The number of people entered in Q2 of the survey, or
    - iii. Another method – please describe?
  - c. If yes, how can you ensure the survey is accurate when the answers to subsequent Questions 3 through to 6 could vary considerably between different household members?
2. How will the survey responses be weighted? Will responses from households within Cuddington & Sandiway be given a greater weighting than respondents within the wider Danebridge Practice Area? How will that weighting be attributed.
3. If no weighting is to be applied, what is your reason for this decision, given that the greatest impact of the proposal to request closure of Sandiway surgery will be upon those households living within walking distance of that surgery.

**C – Survey Analysis**

Please provide an electronic anonymised copy of the survey response that you will use in your business case in either Word or Excel format.

**Subject: Freedom of Information request (FOI # 6) Profile of Patients on the Danebridge Medical Practice list**

1. Please complete the table below regarding the age profile of patients on the complete Danebridge patient list.

	Under 16	16-24	25-49	50-69	70 and over
# patients					

2. Please complete the table below regarding the number of those patients above who are within the Cuddington & Sandiway area.

	Under 16	16-24	25-49	50-69	70 and over
# patients					

3. Please complete the table below with the number of those patients in Cuddington & Sandiway area who are under "Meds monitoring".

	Under 16	16-24	25-49	50-69	70 and over
# patients					

**Subject: Freedom of Information request (FOI # 7) People who cannot drive**

The existing public transport services to/from Cuddington & Sandiway are infrequent and the public bus and train facilities at all locations are not within reasonable walking distance of either Danebridge or Kingsmead surgeries for those with mobility issues and/or ill health.

Do you know how the total number of patients within Cuddington & Sandiway that would rely on public transport to access GP services at either Kingsmead or Danebridge?

What solutions will you put in place for people needing to use public transport to access the alternative surgery locations?

**Subject: Freedom of Information request (FOI # 8) Discussions with PCC or CCG**

With regards to the proposed closure of Sandiway Surgery, I searched NHS England's policy on this (link below)

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2014/07/med-branch-closure-pms-july14.pdf>

**Branch closures for primary - NHS England**

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In relation to Point 3 on page 10 I want the answers to 2 questions:

1. "What discussions have Danebridge Medical Practice had with the Primary Care Committee or the Clinical Commissioning Group Governing Body about their proposal to close the branch surgery?"
2. "What was the "appropriate and proportionate consultation requirement" that was agreed upon.

**Subject: Freedom of Information request (FOI # 9) # hours GPs appointments at Sandiway**

Please provide the average number of hours of GP appointments available (per week) at Sandiway surgery over the past 5 years

e.g. # hours per week for appointments at Sandiway

2015	x	hours of appointments per week
2016	"	"
2017	"	"
2018	"	"
2019	"	"

Please provide the average number of hours of Nurse appointments available (per week) at Sandiway surgery over the past 5 years

e.g. # hours per week for Nurse appointments at Sandiway

2015	x	hours of appointments per week
2016	"	"
2017	"	"
2018	"	"
2019	"	"

And confirm at what date the Nurse availability at Sandiway was stopped.

**FOI – Cheshire Clinical Commissioning Group**

**Subject: Freedom of Information request (FOI # 1) PCC Minutes**

In looking at your website I can see there are minutes published of the August 2019 Primary Care Commissioning Meeting, and the schedule indicates that there were furthermore 2 planned meetings in Oct and Dec 19, I would be grateful if you could publish and / or send me by email a copy of those minutes.

**Subject: Freedom of Information request (FOI # 2) Discussions with PCC or CCG**

With regards to the proposed closure of Sandiway Surgery, a branch of Danebridge Medical Practice. I searched NHS England's policy on this (link below)

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