

REPORT TO: Health Policy and Performance Board

DATE: 4 June 2013

REPORTING OFFICER: Strategic Director - Communities

PORTFOLIO: Health and Adults

SUBJECT: Vascular Services across Cheshire and Merseyside

WARD(S) Borough-wide

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 To receive an update, from Alison Tonge, Director of Commissioning - Cheshire, Warrington & Wirral Area Team, NHS England, on the development of Vascular Services across Cheshire and Merseyside following the National Clinical Advisory Team's (NCAT's) further review conducted in February 2013.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION: That the Board: Note the contents of the report.

3.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

3.1 On the recommendation of the Secretary of State for Health, NCAT were invited to re-examine whether the current proposals for Vascular Services across Cheshire and Merseyside would meet the requirements for a modern vascular network in South Merseyside, particularly in light of the concerns raised from surgeons at Arrowse Park Hospital and the updated guidance from the Vascular Society of Great Britain and Ireland.

4.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

4.1 There are no policy implications as a direct result of this report.

5.0 OTHER/FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 None identified at this stage.

6.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES

6.1 Children & Young People in Halton

There are no specific implications as a direct result of this report, however the health needs of children and young people are an

integral part of the Health priority.

6.2 **Employment, Learning & Skills in Halton**

None identified.

6.3 **A Healthy Halton**

The remit of the Health Policy and Performance Board is directly linked to this priority.

6.4 **A Safer Halton**

None identified.

6.5 **Halton's Urban Renewal**

None identified.

7.0 **RISK ANALYSIS**

7.1 Appropriate consideration will need to be given to associated risks identified as part of the on-going development of Vascular Services in Cheshire and Merseyside.

8.0 **EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES**

8.1 Any service which seeks to address the health needs of Halton needs to be fully accessible.

9.0 **LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972**

9.1 None under the meaning of the Act.