

Motions Submitted to Council

In accordance with Chapter 2, Part 2 (Rule 15) of the Council's Constitution

Motion 2

Submitted by Councillor Holloway

That Council notes with extreme concern, the recent instruction from NHS England to NHS Thurrock Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) to set out a clear and agreed timeline by the end of September 2019 for a CCG merger to create a single CCG covering Mid and South Essex.

Council finds the complete lack of consultation by NHS England with us as a key statutory partner and with local residents, prior to issuing an instruction of this magnitude, unacceptable and disrespectful.

Council strongly opposes any move by NHS England to create a single CCG for Mid and South Essex which we believe will damage the strong partnership working and local relationships we have with our NHS partners, shift focus away from local health and care transformation at Thurrock level, and will make our local NHS less accountable to our residents.

Council calls on NHS England to retain a fully constituted CCG at Thurrock level with a Thurrock CCG Accountable Officer and Executive.

Council also resolves to write to our two local MPs to ask them to support our calls and work with us to intervene to prevent this merger.

Monitoring Officer Comments:

This 'on-notice' motion relates to a matter which affects the authority or the authority's area, and relates to a matter in respect of which the authority has a relevant function.

The motion complies with Rule 15, Chapter 2, Part 2 of the Council's Constitution, is not defamatory of any individual, offensive or otherwise infringe the proper conduct of local government, and the recommendation in the motion is not illegal.

Section 151 Officer Comments:

There are no direct financial implications as a result of this motion. However, the Council has a strong relationship with the CCG and has joint governance of the Improved Better Care Fund and this would be a concern if the CCG was not at a local level as it is currently.

Is the above motion within the remit of Council to approve?

Yes