

Greater Manchester Joint Health Scrutiny Committee

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Subject: Greater Manchester Cardiac Surgery and Arterial Vascular Surgery
Services Review

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Purpose of Report

This presentation sets out NHS Greater Manchester's case for change in relation to cardiac surgery and arterial vascular surgery services. It explains why the current arrangements are no longer considered sustainable, highlights the clinical, workforce and patient-safety drivers for change, and outlines the proposed approach to centralising cardiac surgery and arterial vascular surgery. The presentation also summarises the proposed engagement, consultation and decision-making process, including the role of scrutiny and the key milestones leading to a final decision.

Recommendation:

Members are asked to note the presentation.

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