

**Mid and South Essex Integrated Care System
community capacity public consultation.**



**What you said about community hospital
services in mid and south Essex.**

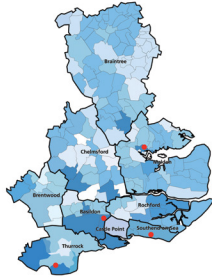
25 January – 11 April 2024



**This is an EasyRead version of
the draft public consultation report.**

What this is about

Mid and South Essex

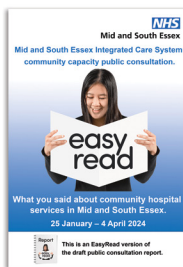


This is a report about the NHS Mid and South Essex Integrated Care Board, or ICB.

The ICB plan and pay for health and care services for people in mid Essex, south east Essex, Basildon and Brentwood and Thurrock.

In January to April 2024, the ICB asked you about what you thought about some community hospital services.

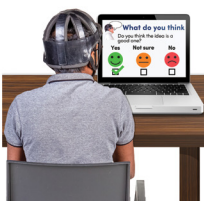
This document is what you told them.



Who took part



Lots and lots of people took part in lots of different ways.



Most people who filled in the survey were from Maldon.



Most people who filled in the survey were between 55 and 74 years old.



Lots of people came to their meetings.

What we found out



1) The ICB asked about local hospital stroke rehabilitation and intermediate care inpatient services.

They asked you if you liked **Choice A** or **Choice B**.

Choice A



A single, 50 bed stroke rehabilitation unit at Brentwood Community Hospital and 22 intermediate care beds at Cumberlege Intermediate Care Centre, Rochford.

Choice B



A 25 bed stroke rehabilitation unit and 25 intermediate care beds at Brentwood Community Hospital and 22 at Cumberlege Intermediate Care Centre, Rochford.



Lots of people said these choices were bad.



Many did not pick choice A or B.



Many staff picked choice B.



Some staff did not pick A or B.



What people did not like:



People said it would be harder to get to the hospital.



If it was harder to get to the hospital patients might get less visitors.



People wanted St Peter's Hospital to stay open.



People said they thought the changes were to save money and not to help patients.



2) The ICB asked about having the free-standing midwife birthing unit at the William Julien Courtauld Birthing unit at St Michael's Health Centre at Braintree Community Hospital forever.



Most people said this was a bad idea.



People said it would take too long to get there especially if you can't drive.



What people did not like:



People said it would be harder to get to the hospital.



People wanted St Peter's Hospital to stay open.



People said that more maternity services were needed.



People wanted to see the same nurses.



Staff said that we were wrong to say that there were not many babies being born at St. Peter's.



3) The ICB asked about moving services out of St Peter's Hospital which may mean that it may close forever.



Most people said this was very bad or bad.



Most staff said this was very bad or bad.



What people did not like



People said it would be harder to get to other places if services moved out.



People said it would be bad for local people, especially older people, if St Peter's Hospital closed.



People said that other services would get busy if St Peter's Hospital closed.



People do not want St Peter's Hospital to close.



People in Maldon felt they have not been heard.

What you said about taking part



Not everyone knew about the changes, especially those living in Maldon.



The ICB tried to tell as many people in all areas.



Some people did not find the documents easy to read.



They wrote an EasyRead and shorter document.



Some people said there was not enough time to take part.



They gave people more time to take part.



Some people thought they had already made up their minds to close St Peter's Hospital.



They wanted to hear from as many people as they could.

What next

stand.

Mid and South Essex



This report will go to the Mid and South Essex Integrated Care Board on 11 July 2024 for them to discuss what they are going to do



People can tell us what they think of the reports until Wednesday 31 July 2024.