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Mid and South Essex Integrated Care Board public consultation
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Healthwatch Essex is an independent charity which gathers and represents views about health and social care services in Essex. Our aim is to influence decision makers so that services are fit for purpose, effective and accessible, ultimately improving service user experience. We also provide an information service to help people access, understand, and navigate the health and social care system.

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Feedback

Healthwatch Essex started to receive comments from members of the public regarding the proposed changes at St Peters whilst carrying out a project in the Burnham on Crouch area.

We have also had feedback via the Healthwatch England 'Have Your Say' online submission forms. And comments sent to us directly via our various ambassador groups.

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Feedback

Numerous residents we have spoken to had concerns regarding the general access to hospital care across Maldon and the Dengie Peninsular.

The general feeling is that it is already difficult for some to access Broomfield Hospital due to the distance, difficult public transport links and lack of parking at the hospital.

Moving the stroke rehabilitation beds to further away from the area was a major concern voiced. Again, the difficulties for people to travel was one of the main issues.

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Closure of hospital St Peter's Maldon Essex. The hospital is being closed despite our district population heading for 70k! Services are being scattered all over Essex making it very difficult to access healthcare. If you don't drive, you will not be able to get to hospitals! £65.00 for a taxi (each way!) to get to the nearest hospital or four changes of buses. If you have mobility problems you're sunk! Maternity/birthing unit has already been moved over 15 miles away and hours away by public transport. Stroke rehab 20 miles away and over two hours by public transport (no accessibility for disabled) two buses to railway station, train then another bus to hospital. Patients only accepted if there's room. If not there's another hospital which is even worse to get to. The wishes of our residents are being totally ignored and our welfare trashed !

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Our local out patient hospital (St Peter's Maldon)stroke rehab/ maternity/blood test etc hospital is being closed down. It's the only one for at least twelve miles and our local population is heading for 65,000 . The rehab is now over 20 miles away and would take around three hours to reach by public transport. Maternity is around 16 miles away (around 2 hours by public transport) X-ray, surgical, dermatology, oncology etc around 2 hours by public transport. St Peter's is maximum 30 minutes by public transport from outlying Maldon district and within 10 minutes public transport from Maldon town areas.

St Peter's is a fantastic hospital, repair the parts of the building which have been DELIBERATELY neglected and leave us with an ACCESSIBLE service. OR build the replacement hospital which was

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Our local hospital is being closed down. Leaving us a 40 minute drive to get services. Our town has thousands of new houses but now no hospital. Very conflicting.

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"Maldon is now big enough to qualify for a small community hospital like Braintree, Broomfield is past breaking point, a good example is patients with cancer having to travel to Southend for chemo, we are talking just a nurse and an IV required"

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Summary

Residents' concerns:

- Continuing growth of the population, housing developments and how services will meet the need.
- Transport links to services if they are moved further away.

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