

Liberal Democrat Group Notice of Motion

Council Meeting

20 September 2018

Clinical Commissioning Group – Overview and Scrutiny

Torbay Council notes that the Governing Bodies of the Clinical Commissioning Groups in Devon have submitted an 'expression of interest' to merge.

This council further notes that the following concerns have been raised at meetings of the Overview and Scrutiny Board:

- The lack of any positive outcomes in terms of improved services for local residents;
- The lack of clarity on how a new merged body would be accountable to local people;
- Concerns about Torbay's influence in a larger body being watered down;
- Concerns that this decision could be made behind closed doors without public consultation; and
- Questions over whether funds currently earmarked for Torbay might be subsumed into a wider body.

It is understood that similar issues have been raised at meetings of Devon County Council's Overview and Scrutiny Board.

This Council understands that this issue will be discussed at a meeting of Torbay's Overview and Scrutiny Board in October, and recommends that a written report is presented from the local Clinical Commissioning Group responding to the above concerns at that meeting.

Proposer: Councillor Long

Seconder: Councillor Darling (S)