

CONGLETON TOWN COUNCIL

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND UPDATES

COMMITTEE:	Town Hall, Assets and Services		
MEETING DATE AND TIME	16th September 2021	LOCATION	Congleton Town Hall
REPORT FROM	Town Hall Manager – Mark Worthington		
AGENDA ITEM REPORT TITLE	12 NHS Vaccination Booking Update		
Background	<p>NHS Cheshire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG), working alongside Readesmoor Medical Centre, selected Congleton Town Hall as their preferred venue for use during the Covid vaccination rollout. Holmes Chapel Health Centre, Lawton House Health Centre and Meadowside Medical Centre would also be working alongside Readesmoor Medical Centre to deliver the vaccination rollout. The Town Hall vaccination booking commenced on December 14th 2020 and would run until March 31st 2021, this was extended until July 31st 2021 to further assist the vaccination rollout.</p> <p>NHS Cheshire CCG served the agreed 30 day notice to end the extended contract on 17th June 2021 and advised that the Town Hall would not be required after July 17th 2021.</p> <p>Readesmoor Medical Centre expressed concern that they would not be able to provide the same level of service when delivering the booster vaccinations and flu jabs, without the use of Congleton Town Hall. Unfortunately, due to the uncertainty on when the booster vaccinations would be delivered, NHS Cheshire CCG were not prepared to fund the use of the Town Hall as they did for the original vaccination rollout.</p> <p>Following discussions at the Town Hall Assets & Services Committee on 1st July 2021, it was agreed to contact Readesmoor Medical Centre's Practice Manager, with an offer for them to retain the use of the Grand Hall for the remainder of the year as a dormant site, and to pay an agreed fee for the days they are on site. A contract was agreed with Readesmoor Medical Centre, on behalf of the CHOC PCN (Congleton & Holmes Chapel Primary Care Networks), that they would have use of the Town Hall between 17th July 2021 and 31st December 2021 as a venue for Covid booster and flu vaccinations, existing bookings at the Town Hall were moved to 2022. Readesmoor Medical Centre would pay an agreed fee of £400 for each day on site at the Town Hall throughout this period.</p>		

<p>Update</p>	<p>Readesmoor Medical Centre were contacted on 6th September 2021 for an update on the booster/flu vaccination rollout. As of that date, Readesmoor Medical Centre had received no further information on the booster campaign and have been advised to concentrate on delivering the flu campaign in house, there is no date or information relating to the booster rollout at this time, although a likely date could be end of September start of October 2021. CHOC PCN (Congleton & Holmes Chapel Primary Care Networks) have withdrawn their interest to participate, however Readesmoor Medical Centre are discussing wider geographical collaborations within East Cheshire to include other Primary Care Networks who are also struggling to deliver this campaign.</p>
<p>Decision Requested</p>	<p>To receive this report relating to the Covid booster rollout and contract with Readesmoor Medical Centre.</p>