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REQUEST

The Knowsley Council local plan 2016 - 2028 forecasts a significant increase in population and economic activity. Did the council engage the trust in the proposed plan? If so, at what stage of the planning process was the Trust engaged? Did the trust undertake an impact assessment of the plan? If so, what was the output of impact assessment?

RESPONSE

The Council engaged with representatives of local Clinical Commissioning Groups that procure services from secondary care NHS providers, such as this Trust, to meet the needs of their residents. In addition, the Trust is aware that discussions on the potential impact were also held with representatives of Public Health.

It is through the annual Contract negotiations between commissioners and providers that the changing health needs of the population for hospital services are addressed.