

MEETING: Governing Body – Open Meeting

Item Number: 8.1

DATE: 22 October 2013

REPORT TITLE:	Winter Resilience Plan and Briefing Paper
REPORT AUTHOR:	Kim Godsman / Urgent Care Board
PRESENTED BY:	Kim Godsman
RECOMMENDATIONS/DECISION REQUIRED:	Approval of Plan
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY <p>The Wigan Borough Winter Resilience Plan development has been led by the Urgent Care Board. The plan intends to achieve the following outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Additional measures to improve patient flow from the Emergency Department to maintain the 4 hour target;• Defined escalation plans for each operational provider and service;• Clear system-wide day to day management structures through an escalation policy, urgent care meetings, teleconferences and reporting systems;• Implementation of additional arrangements to cover the Christmas and New Year periods; and• Enhanced robustness of plans to manage admission avoidance and discharge systems. <p>The Winter Resilience Plan has been successfully tested by the Urgent Care Board via a desktop exercise. The Urgent Care Board has formally signed off the Winter Resilience Plan.</p> <p>Following sign off to the Wigan Borough Winter Resilience Plan by the Governing Body, the CCG will formally write to each provider Trust who has responsibility for providing urgent care to Wigan CCG patients to request formal Board assurance that they have accepted the implementation requirements of the Plan.</p>	
FURTHER ACTION REQUIRED:	Governing Body sign off to the Wigan Borough Winter Plan