

**Midwifery Continuity of Carer
Proposed plan for the default model of care by March 2023**

Executive Management Committee	Item: 9
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<p>Purpose of the Report:</p> <p>In line with the Better Births and NHS Long Term Plan, there is an ambition that Continuity of Carer becomes the default model for all pregnant people using maternity services in the NHS in England by March 2023.</p> <p>The Building Blocks project plan submitted to EMC and the Board in March 2022 identified the progress made to date and assurance that all key elements of safe staffing have been considered.</p> <p>This paper outlines a reasonable plan to roll out continuity teams across the Kingston geography, whilst clearly identifying the need for consultation with staff, recruitment, and support.</p>	
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<p>Recommendations:</p> <p>The first steps of the continuity was submitted to the LMS board and ICS partnership in January 2021. This paper outlines the next phases of recruitment, staff consultation and reconfiguration to achieve a default continuity of carer model for all eligible women by March 2023.</p> <p>The committee are asked to note the contents, and approve onward circulation to the SWL LMNS by 15th May.</p>	