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## PCT Consultation reply form

### Section 1

Do you favour Proposal 1 or Proposal 2? Please tick your choice in the box to t

Proposal 1: to create

- One Primary Care Trust (PCT) for the city of Leicester
- One PCT for the counties of Leicestershire and Rutland
- One PCT for the county of Northamptonshire.

Proposal 2: to create

- One Primary Care Trust (PCT) for the city of Leicester
- One PCT for the counties of Leicestershire and Rutland
- Two PCTs for the county of Northamptonshire.

### Section 2

Please use this section as appropriate to indicate how your preferred option than the alternative in terms of the national criteria for the new PCTs. (Please 3 on page 26 of the consultation document for a fuller wording of the national criter local considerations relating to these criteria as used in the earlier engagement prc

National Criteria:

Your comments:

i) the securing of high quality services

Either proposal has the potential to deliver these services

ii) improving health

Either proposal has the potential to deliver improvements

iii) improving the engagement of GPs

	No comments
iv) improving commissioning and the effective use of resources	A single PCT for Northamptonshire may have a greater ability to direct specialist resources where needed
v) managing financial balance and risk	A single PCT for Northamptonshire is likely to have greater financial flexibility
vi) improving public involvement	Either option needs to deliver strong involvement from public and service users. This may be a particular challenge for a single larger PCT
vii) improving coordination with social services	Co-ordination with social services should be facilitated by the creation of a single co-terminous body
viii) delivering at least 15% reduction in management and administration costs	The single PCT, by avoiding duplication of management structures, may be able to deliver these savings more easily.

**Section 3**

**Please use this section to address the topics which emerged within the local process**

i) the need for the new PCTs to establish effective locality arrangements	There is a concern that a change to a single large PCT in Northamptonshire will dilute local responsiveness
ii) maintaining active public and patient involvement processes	The concern about loss of 'localness' extends to public engagement processes
iii) ensuring effective clinical engagement	None specifically on this
iv) ensuring the equitable application of funds within PCTs	

None specifically on this

**Section 4**

**Additional comments**

If you are replying as an individual, please complete 1 and 4 below.  
If you are replying on behalf of an organisation (e.g. local authority, voluntary organ  
professional group) please complete 1, 2, 3 and 4 below.

1. Your name

Thomas Hall

2. Your organisation

Northampton Borough Council

3. Your position within the  
organisation

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4. Your address

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