**Appendix 1**

**Merger Flowchart**

Practices approach ICB Primary Care (PC) Team

ICB may liaise with NHS England on specific contractual or financial matters

ICB supports Practice by working though implementation plan to enable a successful merge – See Appendix 3a

Practices conduct Patient engagement with support from the ICB Communication team - See Appendices 2 and 2a

ICB gains assurances from IT, PCSE and Wessex PH that the planned merger date is viable.

ICB request the merger is tentatively scheduled with PCSE, Wessex Public Health and IT – See Appendix 4

ICB PC team review application and share with NHS England for comment

ICB outlines process sends relevant forms to practices either through discussion or face to face meeting.

Formal decision made by Primary Care Committee (PCCC) of ICB Governing Board as per scheme of delegation

ICB/Practice discussion

All other stakeholders and media advised See Appendix 5

Reviewed by ICB Primary Operational Group (PCOG)

ICB advises practices of outcome and reports this to PCOG and PCC

Practices submit merger application – See Appendices 3 and 3a

Where application approved

Where application rejected

**Key**

Practice Action

Joint action

ICB actions