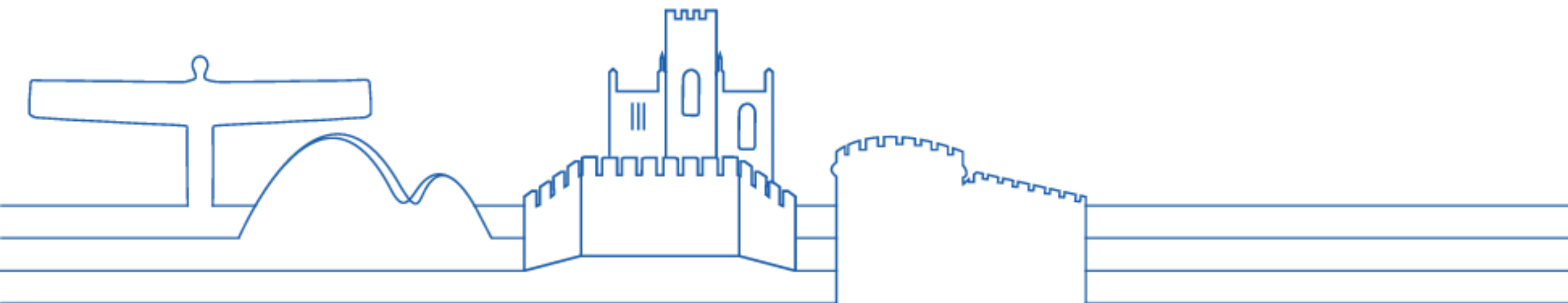




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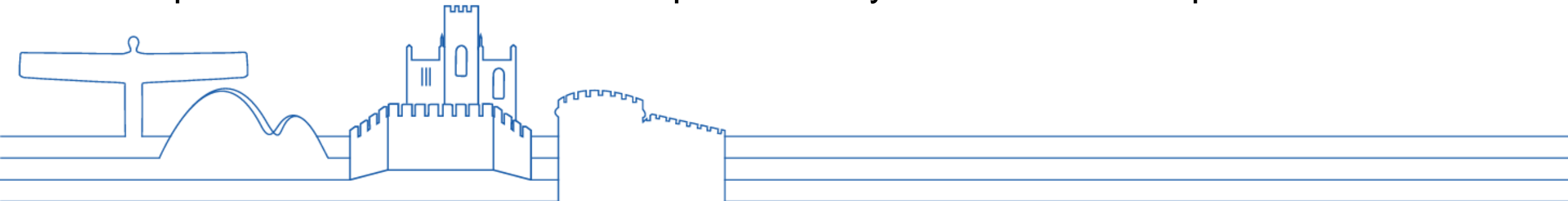
Foundations – Acklam Road: Management of PMS Agreement termination

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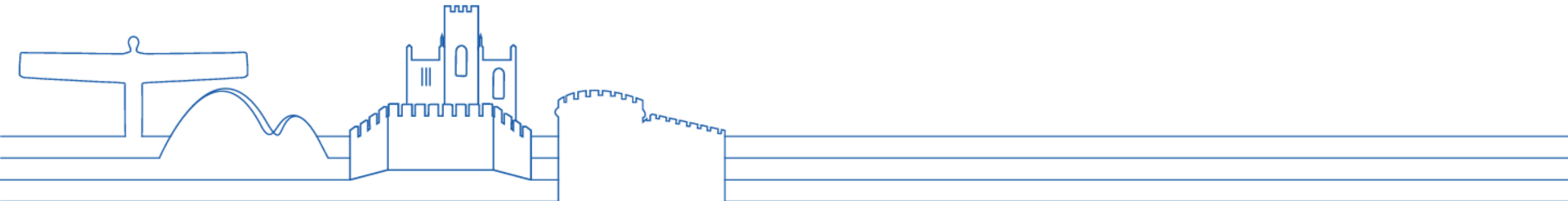
Brief background

- GP practice (previously known as Fulcrum) which delivers essential, additional, and enhanced primary medical care services
- The practice served notice on the contract, which was undertaken in accordance with the terms and conditions set out in the Personal Medical Services (PMS) Agreement
- A number of commissioning options were considered by the local executive of the North East & North Cumbria Integrated Care Board (NENC ICB), where it was agreed that services can no longer be sustainably maintained and to proceed with the termination notice
- The practice at Acklam Road will permanently close on 30th September 2023



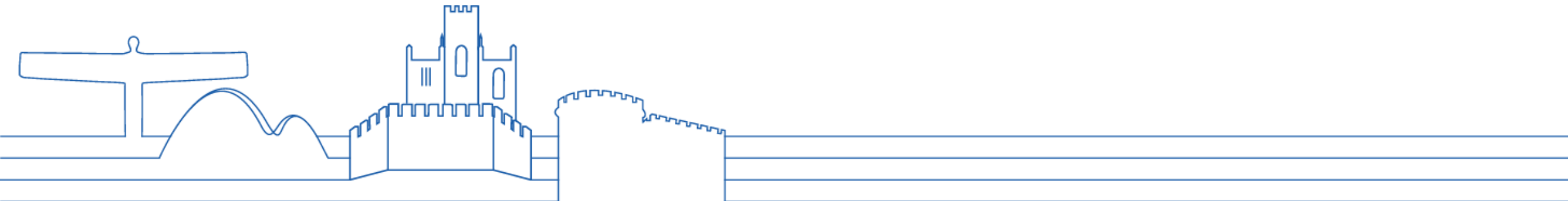
Registered list

- There are 748 patients registered as of 1st June (NHS Digital)
- This includes 29 patients who are registered on the Special Allocation Scheme (SAS)
- Foundations also provide a specialist prescribing service relating to drug and alcohol treatment, commissioned by Middlesbrough Borough Council
- It is important to note that:
 - Not all of the 748 patients registered with the GP practice access opioid substitution therapy
 - There are a significant number of patients who access Foundations for the opioid substitution therapy who are registered at GP practices elsewhere in Middlesbrough
- The ICB is only responsible for the management of the PMS Agreement termination relating to the 748 patients registered for primary care services



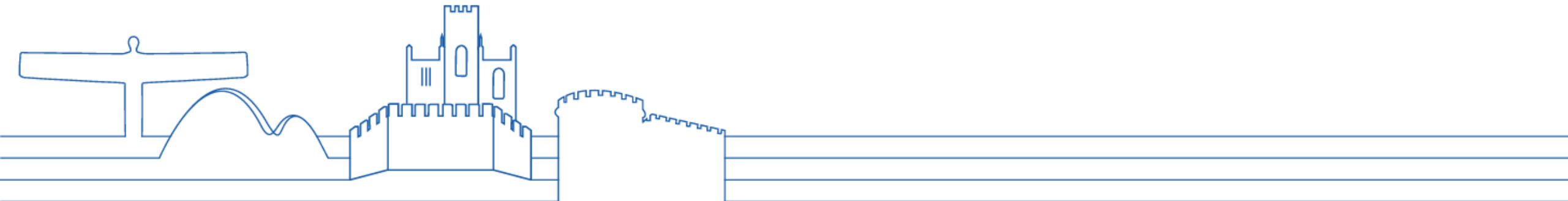
Closure process

- To ensure continued access to primary medical care services, all patients registered for GP services will be allocated to an alternative practice close to where they live by 30th September 2023
- Patients have been sent an initial letter informing them of the planned closure and a further letter will be issued in August detailing the practice they will be allocated to and registered with in September
- The SAS patients will not be included in the main allocation to alternative practices as their care must be met by SAS provision. Patients on the SAS register will be allocated to another SAS GP practice by 30th September 2023
- Until the allocation in September, all patients should continue to access GP services at Foundations



Next steps

- The ICB is working with NHS England and Cleveland Local Medical Committee to determine the patient allocations to the alternative practices
- The ICB is supporting practices to enable them to prepare to register the patients and to ensure a smooth transition for patients and effective ongoing management of their health care needs
- The ICB continues to work closely with the practice and with Local Authority colleagues in Public Health to ensure communications to patients and stakeholders are clear due to the different services currently commissioned from the practice by different organisations
- Operational aspects of a practice closure e.g. assets, clinical system access etc are being managed by a project group and follows a standard operating procedure and action plan developed by NHS England





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**Any Questions?
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