

HEALTH AND ADULT SOCIAL CARE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Membership

13 Councillors, 1 non-voting Co-opted Member

Terms of Reference

To fulfil the overview and scrutiny functions of a Scrutiny Committee as they relate to the improvement of local health and associated services, as a contribution to the Council's community leadership role, in accordance with relevant legislation, regulations and associated guidance.

To make reports and recommendations to local National Health Service (NHS) bodies and to the Council on any matter reviewed or scrutinised which will explain the matter reviewed, summarise the evidence considered, provide a list of participants in the scrutiny exercise, and make any recommendations on the matter reviewed as appropriate.

To proactively receive information within given timescales, with some exceptions as per Government Guidance, requested from local NHS bodies.

To be consulted by and respond to (as appropriate) NHS bodies in connection with the rationale behind any proposal and options for change to local health services made by the NHS.

To ensure the involvement of local stakeholders in the work of the Committee.

To take referrals from local Patients' Forums.

To act in accordance with Government Guidance relating to Health and Scrutiny functions.

In accordance with the Annual Scrutiny Programme and any statutory requirements:-

(a) To undertake overview and scrutiny and contribute to policy development relating to the functions of the following Directorates and the appropriate Cabinet Member(s):

- Adult Social Care
- Public Health and Wellbeing

(b) To undertake scrutiny investigations/inquiries as required.

To consider and determine items that are called in for scrutiny in accordance with the Scrutiny Committee Procedure Rules.

To submit reports and recommendations to the relevant decision taker(s).