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## **Health Scrutiny Committee**

**4 January 2007**

### **Report of the Head of Civic, Democratic and Legal Services**

## **Dental Services in York**

### **Summary**

1. This report is to ask members to consider carrying out a scrutiny review of NHS dental provision in York

### **Background**

2. In October 2006 members considered a report which informed them about NHS dental provision in York. A written update on the service, provided by Kay Goodwin for the North Yorkshire and York Primary Care Trust was circulated to members – a copy of this is enclosed at Annex A.
3. Kay Goodwin has been asked to attend this meeting to bring members up to date on the service, however it is not known at the time of writing if she is able to attend.

### **Consultation**

4. If members resolve to carry out a scrutiny review of dental provision in York then appropriate consultation will be carried out as part of the feasibility process to assist in the production of a viable remit.

### **Options**

5. Members may decide to carry out a scrutiny review of the NHS dental service in York, subject to the necessary resources being available.

### **Analysis**

6. Members need to consider the resources required in carrying out scrutiny reviews, and their own availability to participate in the work that they commit to. The Committee will be asked to

take part in the Annual Healthcheck of all Health Trusts which impact on York by the end of April 2007. There will be further sessions of the Health Scrutiny Support Programme early in 2007, and members may also become involved in partnership working and any activities which may arise after the public event scheduled for 31 January 2007.

### **Corporate Priorities**

7. Relevant to Corporate Priority 7 – Improve the health and lifestyles of the people who live in York, in particular among groups whose levels of health are the poorest.

### **Implications**

8. There are no known Financial, HR, Equalities, Legal, Crime and Disorder, IT or other implications at this stage.

### **Risk Management**

9. In compliance with the Councils risk management strategy. There are no risks associated with the recommendations of this report.

### **Recommendations**

10. Members are asked to decide if they wish to carry out a scrutiny review of NHS dental services in York and request that a draft remit for this be brought to the next meeting of this Committee.

Reason: In order to carry out their duty to promote the health needs of the people they represent.

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**Wards Affected:**

**All**

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**Annexes**

Annex A – Briefing on dental services

**Background Papers**

None