

Scrutiny Management Committee

23 October 2006

Report of the Head of Civic, Democratic and Legal Services

Update on Work of Health Scrutiny Committee

Summary

1. The Health Scrutiny Committee are in the process of agreeing the aspects of North Yorkshire and York Primary Care Trust's financial recovery plan which they will scrutinise for their impact on the citizens of York. The Chair of the Committee, Cllr Ian Cuthbertson, will update members on information they have received so far.

Background

- 2. At their meeting on 9 October members of the Health Scrutiny Committee held discussions with the Chief Executive of York Hospitals NHS Trust on alterations to provision at York District Hospital, including changes to in-patient beds.
- 3. There have also been recent updates on dental services in York, services provided by Yorkshire Ambulance Service and the PCT's Referral and Clinical Advice Service.
- 4. Members have also responded to national consultations on proposed replacements for Patient and Public Involvement Forums and also regulations on smoke-free premises.

Consultation

5. Members working in health scrutiny are in close and frequent consultation with colleagues from the health trusts and other organisations which impact on the healthcare of people in York.

Options

6. Members may receive this report and ask any relevant questions of the Chairman of the Health Scrutiny Committee.

Analysis

7. Members need to consider the future workload of the committee when requesting frequent updates from any source.

Corporate Priorities

8. The work of the Health Scrutiny Committee is aimed at making a contribution, through its review, towards the 'health of people who live in York' and the life chances of its most disadvantaged and disaffected children, young people and families'.

Implications

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

Risk Management

10. In compliance with the Councils risk management strategy, there are no known risks associated directly with this report.

Recommendations

10. Members are asked to receive the report on the progress of the Health Scrutiny Committee.

Reason: in order to meet the delegated authority of Scrutiny Management Committee as defined in CYC's constitution.

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