



Scrutiny topic registration form

Fields marked with an asterisk * are required.

* Proposed topic: Obesity levels in children
 * Councillor registering the topic Galloway - Councillor Susan Galloway

Submitted due to an unresolved 'Cllr Call for Action' enquiry ☐

Please complete this section as thoroughly as you can. The information provided will help Scrutiny Officers and Scrutiny Members to assess the following key elements to the success of any scrutiny review:

How a review should best be undertaken given the subject

Who needs to be involved

What should be looked at

By when it should be achieved; and

Why we are doing it ?

Please describe how the proposed topic fits with 3 of the eligibility criteria attached.

	Yes?	Policy Development & Review	Service Improvement & Delivery	Accountability of Executive Decisions
Public Interest (ie. in terms of both proposals being in the public interest and resident perceptions)	☒	☐	☐	☐
Under Performance / Service Dissatisfaction	☐	☐	☐	☐
In keeping with corporate priorities	☒	☐	☐	☐
Level of Risk	☐	☐	☐	☐
Service Efficiency	☐	☐	☐	☐
National/local/regional significance e.g. A central government priority area, concerns joint working arrangements at a local 'York' or wider regional context	☒	☐	☐	☐

* Set out briefly the purpose of any scrutiny review of your proposed topic. What do you think it should achieve?

There are two national indicators for childhood obesity to which the Council has signed up - NPI55 and NP156 (obesity among primary school age children in Reception Year and in Year 6). There are initiatives around healthy eating, five a day, 30mins of exercise 5 times a week etc to which both ourselves and NHS North Yorkshire and York have committed. I am interested to know whether these initiatives are having any effect and whether or not the money, which is being spent, is being used to the best advantage. I am also interested in the amount of money, which the NHS commits to tackling obesity through monies given to the community/Council.

* Please explain briefly what you think any scrutiny review of your proposed topic should cover.

The impact that initiative such as PE Provision, Healthy Eating, 5 a day have had on childhood obesity.

Whilst the topic is aimed primarily at obesity in children, it should also cover measures to tackle obesity in adults

* Please indicate which other Councils, partners or external services could, in your opinion, participate in the review, saying why.

There is a dedicated lead at the NHS for obesity called Greg McGrath. There is also the lottery funded All Together Better Campaign which the NHS leads on and which is also targeting money at specific Wards to address healthy eating issues and the impact this is having on the health of those communities should be investigated. This also covers other areas in North Yorkshire i.e. Scarborough so there could be some interesting comparison work - Suzanne Carr is the lead at the NHS for this work.

Local NHS Trusts, Relevant Officers within City of York Council, LINKs

* Explain briefly how, in your opinion, such a review might be most efficiently undertaken?

The review might be undertaken by oral and written evidence from the Council and from partners.

Estimate the timescale for completion.

 1-3 months

-  3-6 months
-  6-9 months

Support documents or other useful information

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