

HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Council Chamber
Town Hall
Stockport

Meeting: Tuesday, 31 March, 2009
Tea: 5.00 pm (Stopford House)
Business: 6.00 pm

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1. MINUTES

To approve as a correct record and sign the Minutes of the meeting held on 17 February, 2009. (Enclosed)



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2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors and officers to declare any interest which they may have in any of the items on the agenda for this meeting (including whipping declarations)

3. CALL-IN

To consider any call-in items

4. PRIMARY CARE TRUST AND FOUNDATION TRUST ANNUAL SELF ASSESSMENTS

To receive an oral overview of the Primary Care Trust (PCT) and Foundation Trust self assessments for 2008/9 (Oral Report)

Each year all NHS organisations are required to complete a self assessment, which involves declaring their compliance with 24 core standards. This information is submitted to the Healthcare Commission and forms part of the Annual Health Check assessment of quality.

All PCT and NHS Trusts have a statutory responsibility to ask relevant health overview and scrutiny committees to comment on their performance against any or all of the core standards. The aim is for Scrutiny to provide a reality check on the self assessment and to demonstrate the links between services and the experience of local people.

At its review selection meeting on 3rd June 2008, this Scrutiny Committee agreed to focus its comments on standard C17 of the patient focus domain; and selected the St Thomas' development as evidence to test the PCT's achievement of the standard.

This agenda item will, however, provide the Committee with a general overview of both the PCT and Foundation Trust's performance in relation to all 24 standards.

The Scrutiny Committee is invited to comment on the self assessments and note any key issues which may inform the Committee's future work programme.



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5. THE PRIMARY CARE STRATEGY 2009/10 – 2014/15

To consider a report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Strategy, Performance and Governance) (Enclosed)

The Primary Care Strategy sets out the strategic direction for primary care in Stockport for the next 5 years, including the ways in which the PCT will support, develop and shape primary care through its commissioning and contract management roles.

The final version of the draft strategy will be presented to the PCT Board for approval, at its meeting on 30th April.

The Scrutiny Committee is invited to comment on the draft strategy. Any comments will be submitted to the PCT before the strategy is approved by the PCT Board.



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6. INFORMATION GATHERING ENQUIRY – OLDER PEOPLE'S HEALTH SERVICES

To consider a report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Strategy, Performance and Governance) (Oral Report)

The purpose of this agenda item is to obtain a broad overview of what is happening both nationally and locally in relation to older people's health services, with a view to informing the Committee's future agenda planning and in-depth review selection.

The Committee has identified the following objectives for the meeting:

- a) To enable Members to further improve their understanding of older people's health provision in Stockport;
- b) To identify current issues and priorities for older people from the perspectives of a wide range of stakeholders, including providers, commissioners, practitioners, carers and users;
- c) To enable Members to place local issues in to a national context;
- d) To use the information acquired to inform the Committee's future work

The full range of stakeholders have been invited to this one-off meeting to give their views, experiences and perspectives, in order to ensure a comprehensive and well balanced inquiry.

There will be three stages to the meeting:

- i. General Introduction to the issues to be considered (including the national context),
- ii. Stakeholder presentations, no longer than 5 minutes each, outlining current issues and future priorities for older people's services in Stockport.
- iii. Analysis by Committee

The Committee is invited to consider all the evidence heard at the meeting and identify the key messages.

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7. AGENDA PLANNING

To consider a report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Strategy, Performance and Governance) (Enclosed)

The Committee is invited to consider the information in the report and put forward any agenda items for future meetings.

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