

COMMITTEE REPORT

CORPORATE AFFAIRS AND AUDIT COMMITTEE

29 JUNE 2017

**PROPOSED RE-DESIGNATION OF THE BETTER HEALTH PROGRAMME JOINT
HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

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SUPPORT**

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1 This report invites members to agree to the re-designation of the Better Health Programme Joint Health Scrutiny Committee as the Durham, Darlington and Teesside, Hambleton Richmondshire and Whitby Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

BACKGROUND

- 2 The report has been prepared by the Principal Scrutiny Officer at Durham County Council and invites Members to agree to the re-designation of the Better Health Programme (BHP) Joint Health Scrutiny Committee to incorporate local authority scrutiny of the Durham, Darlington and Teesside Hambleton Richmondshire and Whitby Sustainability and Transformation Plan and any associated service review proposals. A draft copy of the report is attached at Appendix 1.
- 3 The report will be considered by Members of the BHP Joint Scrutiny Committee at its first meeting of 2017/18, which is to be held in Hartlepool on 10 July. The report needs to be submitted to each Council for approval prior to it being considered by the BHP Committee itself. Legal has advised that the Corporate Affairs and Audit Committee has the relevant authority to approve the re-designation and amended Terms of Reference given that no ordinary Council meeting is scheduled in advance of the above date.
- 4 A copy of the report has been sent to the Executive Member for Adult Health, Social Care and Public Health for comment. The proposals have also been submitted to the Health Scrutiny panel meeting on 29 June 2017 for information purposes.

- 5 In accordance with the regulations detailed within this report, the new Joint Committee will be the vehicle through which the respective Local Authorities will respond to the STP consultation. Individual member Council's designated Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee will be required to provide information and representations in respect of any consultations as it impacts upon their residents to the Joint Health OSC via its nominated representatives.

PROPOSALS

- 6 The recommendations contained in the report for the Better Health Programme Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee are as follows:-
- a) Receive and comment upon the information detailed within the report.
 - b) Agree to the re-designation of the Better Health Programme Joint Health OSC to the Durham, Darlington and Teesside, Hambleton Richmondshire and Whitby Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee under the terms of the Health and Social Care Act 2012 as set out in the attached report.
 - c) Agree the proposed protocol, Terms of Reference and membership of the re-designated Joint Health Scrutiny Committee detailed at Appendix 2.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

- 7 There are no financial impacts arising directly out of this report.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 8 It is recommended that the Corporate Affairs and Audit Committee considers the draft report and determines whether it wishes to endorse the proposed protocol, Terms of Reference and membership of the re-designated Joint Health Scrutiny Committee.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 9 The following background papers were referenced in the report:-
- Health and Social Care Act 2012.
 - Local Authority Health Scrutiny: Guidance to support Local Authorities and their partners to deliver effective health scrutiny'

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