

AGENDA ITEM: 5

HEALTH SCRUTINY PANEL

1 OCTOBER 2007

**LIFE EXPECTANCY WITH A PARTICULAR FOCUS ON
CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE:
VIEWS OF THE BRITISH HEART FOUNDATION**

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1. To introduce representation from the British Heart Foundation (BHF), in attendance to provide evidence to the Health Scrutiny Panel.

RECOMMENDATIONS

2. That the Panel considers the evidence provided by the BHF, pursues any points it wishes to and incorporates the information gathered into the overall review.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORT

3. As part of its review into CVD, the Health Scrutiny Panel has expressed an interest in receiving as many perspectives on the matter as possible, with a particular interest in hearing the view of the BHF.
4. To this end, the National Director of Prevention & Care at the BHF and colleagues, will be in attendance at today's meeting. The purpose of this is for the Panel to hear the views of the BHF on the current CVD rate facing society and thoughts around what could be done to tackle the problem further. Following the briefing, it is anticipated that the meeting will open out into a Q&A/debate type format.
5. At the conclusion of the information gathering, the Panel is asked to consider how it would like to progress its investigation into Life Expectancy with a particular focus on CVD.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

6. No background papers were used in the preparation of this report.

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