

**HEALTH SCRUTINY PANEL
25 OCTOBER 2007**

**LIFE EXPECTANCY WITH A PARTICULAR FOCUS ON
CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE:
REDRAFTED TERMS OF REFERENCE**

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1. To seek the Health Scrutiny Panel's approval of the redrafted terms of reference to govern the current review.

RECOMMENDATIONS

2. That the Panel considers and approves the enclosed terms of reference, redrafted to take account of the Panel's comments.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORT

3. To ensure that the Health Scrutiny Panel's investigation remains focussed and relevant, it is necessary for terms of reference to be drafted.
4. At its meeting on 20 August 2007, the Panel was presented with draft terms of reference for consideration and comment. A number of changes were made to those draft terms of reference and as such, the amended terms of reference are presented back to the Panel for approval. They are as follows:
 - 4.1 To investigate the topic of life expectancy in Middlesbrough, with a particular focus placed on the historical and present levels of cardiovascular disease (CVD) within the town.
 - 4.2 To establish whether or not there are differing levels of CVD within the town and how Middlesbrough's figures compare nationally.
 - 4.3 To investigate what primary and secondary preventative measures are currently in place to assist people with, or at risk from, CVD.

- 4.4 To investigate whether there are any steps that could be taken to tackle CVD further, with specific attention being paid to local commissioning arrangements.
- 4.5 In conducting the review, the Panel will seek evidence from whomsoever the Panels feels can assist it.
5. The Panel is asked to consider the above terms of reference (at 4.1 – 4.5) and following any further amendments felt necessary, approve the suggested terms of reference.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

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

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