

HEALTH SCRUTINY PANEL

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**ACCESS TO GP SERVICES OUTSIDE OF CORE HOURS:
A BRIEFING FROM MIDDLESBROUGH PCT**

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1. To bring to the attention of the Health Scrutiny Panel, the attached briefing pertaining to GP service developments in Middlesbrough.

RECOMMENDATIONS

2. That the Health Scrutiny Panel notes the content of the attached briefing and agrees to receive an update from the Primary Care Trust, following the pilot period.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORT

3. Middlesbrough PCT is investigating ways of improving access to General Practice services outside of core hours. To that end, Middlesbrough PCT has produced the attached briefing, which outlines PCT plans for improvements to GP access.
4. The attached briefing, produced by the PCT, is very succinct and as such it is not proposed to repeat its contents here.
5. It is suggested that the Health Scrutiny Panel notes the contents of the attached briefing and considers inviting the PCT to provide feedback at the conclusion of the pilot period.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

6. Please see the attached briefing produced by Middlesbrough PCT.

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