

AGENDA ITEM:

HEALTH SCRUTINY PANEL

22 JULY 2009

**HEALTH SCRUTINY FINAL REPORT: CAR PARKING AT JAMES
COOK UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL
FORMAL RESPONSE FROM SOUTH TEES HOSPITALS NHS
FOUNDATION TRUST**

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1. To inform the Health Scrutiny Panel that a formal response has been received from the South Tees Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, following the publication of the Final Report in relation to car parking charges at James Cook University Hospital.

RECOMMENDATIONS

2. That Members note the receipt and content of the formal response attached at Appendix 2 of this paper.
3. That Members note the undertaking of the South Tees Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust to update the Panel in September 2009, of the outcome of its investigations.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORT

4. Members of the Panel will recall that it held a meeting on 8 May 2009, which discussed the recent increase in parking charges at James Cook University Hospital.
5. Following that meeting, the Panel prepared and published the final report attached at Appendix 1.

6. The South Tees Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust has prepared its formal response, which was received within the 28 day period referred to by the Department of Health's Scrutiny guidance.
7. Members are asked to note the content of the formal response and asked to note that a detailed update will be received in September 2009, when the Trust has the results of a number of enquiries it is presently making.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

8. Appendix 1 – Health Scrutiny Panel Report into Parking Charges at James Cook University Hospital
9. Appendix 2 – Formal Response of the South Tees Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust to the Panel's paper.

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