

HEALTH SCRUTINY PANEL

20 JANUARY 2010

**TEES VALLEY HEALTH SCRUTINY JOINT COMMITTEE
CANCER SCREENING FINAL REPORT**

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1. To ensure that the Health Scrutiny Panel is aware of the publication of the Tees Valley Health Scrutiny Joint Committee's final report into Cancer Screening Services.

RECOMMENDATIONS

2. That the Panel notes the content of the report and considers whether it would like to take any action on the issues it raises, pertaining to Cancer Screening in Middlesbrough.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORT

3. As the Members are aware, the Tees Valley Health Scrutiny Joint Committee has recently conducted a review into Cancer Screening Services, across the Tees Valley.
4. The Joint Scrutiny Committee found that whilst there are number of challenges to improving take up of cancer screening services across Tees, Middlesbrough and Hartlepool have areas of particular concern, relating to take up of Cancer Screening Opportunities.
5. The Health Scrutiny Panel is asked to note the attached report and consider whether it would like to take any action in so far as the report relates to Middlesbrough. It may be that the Panel may wish to explore what action could be taken to improve cancer screening take up in Middlesbrough, in the communities where it is particularly low.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

6. Please see attached final report of the Tees Valley Health Scrutiny Joint Committee.

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