

HEALTH SCRUTINY PANEL

11 MAY 2010

HEALTH SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME FOR 2010/11

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1. To introduce a number of senior representatives from the local health and social care economy, in attendance to speak with the Panel about its work programme in 2010/11.

RECOMMENDATIONS

2. That the Panel notes the contributions made by those representatives attending today.
3. That the Health Scrutiny Panel agrees its work programme for the coming year.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORT

4. The Panel will recall that in previous meetings, discussions have been held about the Panel's work programme for the 2010/11 municipal year. At a meeting of the Panel on 23 March 2010, a paper was considered, which outlined a number of topics for consideration with reference to the Panel's work programme.
5. Following consideration of that paper, the Panel felt it would like to hold conversations with senior representatives of the local health and social care economy to hear, in more detail, about the major issues facing their organisations.
6. With that in mind, the Department of Social Care, NHS Middlesbrough, Tees, Esk & Wear Valleys NHS Trust, South Tees Hospitals NHS Trust and the North East Ambulance Service have all been invited to send representatives to the Panel meeting.

7. Those representatives have been asked to attend and be prepared to speak about what they see as the biggest issues facing their organisation in the next twelve to eighteen months. Further, to speak about the areas of operation which pose the biggest opportunities and challenges for organisations and the topics which would benefit from the attention of Overview & Scrutiny.
8. It is anticipated that the Panel will hold a discussion, with representatives along those lines. Following that conversation, the Panel is asked to consider finalising its work programme for the 2010/11 municipal year.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

9. Please see Work Programme Report, originally submitted to the Panel on 23 March 2010.

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