

HEALTH SCRUTINY PANEL

29 JUNE 2017

PROPOSED RE-DESIGNATION OF THE BETTER HEALTH PROGRAMME JOINT HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1 To inform the Health Scrutiny Panel of the proposals to redeignate the Better Health Programme Joint Health Scrutiny Committee as the Durham, Darlington and Teesside, Hambleton Richmondshire and Whitby Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

BACKGROUND

- 2 A report has been prepared by the Principal Scrutiny Officer at Durham County Council which invites Members to agree to the re-designation of the Better Health Programme (BHP) Joint Health Scrutiny Committee to incorporate local authority scrutiny of the Durham, Darlington and Teesside Hambleton Richmondshire and Whitby Sustainability and Transformation Plan and any associated service review proposals. A draft copy of the report is attached at Appendix 1.
- 3 The attached report is scheduled to be considered by Members of the BHP Joint Scrutiny Committee at its first meeting of 2017/18, which will be held in Hartlepool on 10 July. The report needs to be submitted to each Council for approval prior to it being considered by the BHP Committee itself. The Legal Department has advised that the Corporate Affairs and Audit Committee has the relevant authority to approve the re-designation and amended Terms of Reference, given no ordinary Council meeting is scheduled in advance of the above date.
- 4 A copy of the report has also been sent to the Executive Member for Adult Health, Social Care and Public Health for comment.
- 5 In accordance with the regulations detailed within the report, the new Joint Committee will be the vehicle through which the respective Local Authorities will respond to the STP consultation. Individual member Council's designated Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee will be required to provide information and representations in respect of any consultations as it impacts upon their residents to the Joint Health OSC via its nominated representatives.

PROPOSALS

- 6 The recommendations contained in the report for the Better Health Programme Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee are as follows:-
- a) Receive and comment upon the information detailed within the report.
 - b) Agree to the re-designation of the Better Health Programme Joint Health OSC to the Durham, Darlington and Teesside, Hambleton Richmondshire and Whitby Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee under the terms of the Health and Social Care Act 2012 as set out in the attached report.
 - c) Agree the proposed protocol, Terms of Reference and membership of the re-designated Joint Health Scrutiny Committee detailed at Appendix 2.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

- 7 There are no financial impacts arising directly out of this report.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 8 It is recommended that the health scrutiny panel notes the information contained within the attached report.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 9 The following background papers were referenced in the report:-
- Health and Social Care Act 2012.
 - Local Authority Health Scrutiny: Guidance to support Local Authorities and their partners to deliver effective health scrutiny'

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