

AGENDA ITEM:

OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY BOARD

8 MARCH 2011

**HEALTH SCRUTINY FINAL REPORT –
CHILDREN'S CENTRES AND BIRTH DATA**

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1. To present a final report completed by the Health Scrutiny Panel, centred on the topic of Children's Centres and access to Birth Data.

RECOMMENDATIONS

2. That the Overview & Scrutiny Board notes the content of the Panel's Final Report and agrees that it may be referred to the Executive.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORT

3. The Overview & Scrutiny Board will recall that it agreed that the Health Scrutiny Panel could take on the topic of Children's Centre and Birth Data, as an additional work programme topic. Essentially, the Panel had heard concerns that Children's Centres did not have enough information about births in their areas of responsibility and so could not appropriately target services to those most in need.
4. The Panel took the topic on, using the above concern as its starting point. A record of what the Panel found, together with its recommendations, is appended to this introductory report. The Overview & Scrutiny Board is asked to note and approve the attached final report and agree its submission to the Executive.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

5. Please see attached final report of the Health Scrutiny Panel.

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