

MIDDLESBROUGH COUNCIL

AGENDA ITEM 5 (e)

OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY BOARD

23 JULY 2013

HEALTH SCRUTINY – UPDATE

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1. To appraise the Overview & Scrutiny Board of the progress of the Health Scrutiny function.

RECOMMENDATIONS

2. That the Overview & Scrutiny Board notes the progress of the Health Scrutiny function.

Consideration

3. The Health Scrutiny Panel last met on 16 July, where it received information about current performance around Healthcare Associated Infections at James Cook University Hospital. Receiving such information is an important part of the Health Scrutiny Panel being aware of local NHS performance and the current picture on such an important issue.
4. The Health Scrutiny Panel is next scheduled to meet on 25 July 2013, where it will host a debate about Winter Pressures, performance in the Health & Social Care economy and how planning is being progressed for Winter 2013/14.
5. A number of organisations are attending and will be addressing a set of key questions identified by the Health Scrutiny Panel. It is anticipated that following the meeting, a short final report will be prepared. This will outline the key points covered during the meeting and the key points to be developed, in advance of the 2013/14 winter period.
6. Following this meeting, it is anticipated that the Health Scrutiny Panel will receive an update on Neurological Services development, which was a subject of previous Panel study.

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BACKGROUND PAPERS

7. No background papers were used to prepare this briefing paper.

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