

MIDDLESBROUGH COUNCIL

AGENDA ITEM 9 (e)

OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY BOARD

29 MARCH 2015

HEALTH SCRUTINY – UPDATE

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1. To provide members of the Overview & Scrutiny Board with an update on the Health Scrutiny function.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

CONSIDERATION

Health Scrutiny Panel

3. The panel's last meeting was 23 February and Members continued with their review of Cancer Screening and Reducing Cancer Related Deaths in Middlesbrough. The panel met with the Programme Manager from the Macmillan Integrated Care Project, which looks at end to end care, from pre-diagnosis to end of life. The panel were invited to see the cancer facilities at the James Cook University Hospital. Members also received a presentation regarding the three areas of cancer screening by representatives from NHS England.

South Tees Health Scrutiny Joint Committee

4. The South Tees Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) is currently consulting on their plans for Urgent Care in the South Tees area. In addition to the information received from the CCG the committee met on 7 March to hold a 'round-table' discussion to gather independent views from various representatives including the North East Ambulance Service, Healthwatch,

Teesside University, the Local Medical Committee, the Pharmacy Network, Public Health and Adult Social Care. There was in-depth debate about the implications of the urgent care plans and the committee will use the information as a basis for their response to the proposals.

Councillor Eddie Dryden
Chair, Health Scrutiny Panel

BACKGROUND PAPERS

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

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