

**HEALTH OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL
7 OCTOBER 2010**

**OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME 2011/12
Head of Overview & Scrutiny**

1 INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this report is to invite Members of the Health Overview and Scrutiny Panel to consider and suggest review items for the Panel's draft indicative work programme for 2011/12, which is attached at Appendix 1 to this report. The indicative work programme will be included in the 2010/11 Annual Report of Overview and Scrutiny and will be adopted by the Overview and Scrutiny Commission having formally consulted the Corporate Management Team and the Executive thereon, as required by the Council's Constitution.

2 SUGGESTED ACTION

- 2.1 That the Health Overview and Scrutiny Panel considers the draft indicative work programme for 2011/12.**

Background Papers

Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report, 2009-10

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Draft Work Programme for Health Overview and Scrutiny in 2011/12

The work programme for Overview and Scrutiny in 2011/12 is aimed at maintaining a strategic and coordinated work programme based on major areas of Council and partner organisations' activity, of direct and significant interest to residents. The programme incorporates the routine, on-going work of Overview and Scrutiny and the completion of reviews currently underway. It proposes a limited number of new Overview and Scrutiny reviews which are seen to be timely, relevant, significant and likely to add value.

The Workplan for the Joint East Berkshire Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee is determined separately by that Committee.

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1.	<p>Monitoring the implementation of the major changes from the 2010 NHS White Paper</p> <p>This monitoring will cover in particular (and subject to legislation): the transfer of the Public Health responsibilities from the PCT to the Council; the creation of the GP Consortium, Local HealthWatch and the new Health and Wellbeing Board; and establishing the new arrangements for Health Overview and Scrutiny.</p>
2.	<p>In conjunction with the Joint East Berkshire Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee, monitoring the performance and budget of the Berkshire East PCT and the NHS trusts serving Bracknell Forest</p> <p>This will include: the linkage with the Operating Framework and the national NHS priorities set by the Department of Health; the progress of health service providers on infection-control, particularly in relation to MRSA and C Difficile; the transfer of Community Health Services; and the financial position of Heatherwood and Wexham Park Hospitals Trust.</p>
3.	<p>Responding to NHS Consultations</p> <p>The Health O&S Panel is a statutory consultee for any substantial variation in NHS services affecting the Borough, and usually up to 3-5 consultations occur each year.</p>
Future Reviews	
4.	<p>The New NHS Constitution</p> <p>To review the implementation by NHS organisations of the new NHS Constitution, which brings together a number of rights, pledges and responsibilities for staff and patients.</p>

5.	<p>New Health Facilities in Bracknell</p> <p>As a follow-up to the 2010 O&S report on the Bracknell Healthspace, to review the provision of health services from the new Healthspace also the Brant's Bridge centre for cancer and renal services.</p>
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Note - This programme may need to be amended to meet new requirements arising during the year.