

**TO: HEALTH OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL
14 JANUARY 2016**

**HEALTH OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME
Assistant Chief Executive**

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 This report invites members to

- Receive a report on the progress of the Panel's Working Group reviewing GP Capacity.
- Propose items for inclusion in the Panel's work programme for 2016/17.

2 RECOMMENDATION

That the Health Overview and Scrutiny Panel:

2.1 Reviews the progress of the Panel's working Group.

2.2 Proposes items for inclusion in the Panel's work programme for 2016/17.

3 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Working Group reviewing GP Capacity

3.1 The Working Group commenced on 19 November 2015, and has met twice, to date. The Working Group comprises Councillors Peacey, Phillips, Mrs Mattick, Mrs Temperton, Tullett and Virgo; and Dr Norman. Activities have included appointing Cllr Peacey as Lead Member, considering possible key areas of focus for the review with reference to supporting information, meeting a senior Fellow from the Kings Fund to explore the issues around GP capacity, and considering the possible scope of the review. The next meeting is likely to take place in January 2016.

Work Programme 2016/17

3.2 To assist members' consideration of possible items for inclusion in the Panel's work programme for 2016/17, the previously completed reviews are listed on the following page, also the work programme for the current year.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED/ ADVICE RECEIVED FROM STATUTORY AND OTHER OFFICERS/ EQUALITIES IMPACT ASSESSMENT/ STRATEGIC RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES / OTHER OFFICERS/ CONSULTATION – Not applicable

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Previously Completed Health Overview and Scrutiny Reviews

Date Completed	Title
November 2005	The Management of Coronary Heart Disease
July 2007	Review of Healthcare Funding
November 2007	Review of the Council's Health and Wellbeing Strategy
Annually since 2009	Annual Health Check Response to the Healthcare Commission / NHS Trusts
April 2009	Children's Centres and Extended Services in and Around Schools in Bracknell Forest
December 2009	NHS Core Standards
January 2010 (Addendum in 2011)	Review of the Bracknell Healthspace
July 2010	Preparedness for Public Health Emergencies
December 2010	Hospital Car Parking Charges (Joint East Berks Health O&S Committee)
October 2012	Major Health Reforms
November 2012	Health and Wellbeing Strategy
February 2013	'Shaping the Future' of Health Services in East Berkshire – consultation response
April 2013	NHS Trusts Quality Accounts 2011/12 (letters submitted to three Trusts)
January 2014	Applying the Lessons of the Francis Report to Health Overview and Scrutiny
May 2015	NHS Trusts Quality Accounts 2011/12 (Comments submitted to one Trust)
October 2015	Review of the Council's draft Health and Wellbeing Strategy

2015-16 Health Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme

1.	<p>Monitoring the performance of the Local NHS Organisations and the Adult Social Care, Health and Housing Department in relation to health</p> <p>To receive an introductory briefing on the Council's role in relation to Health. To include on-going review of the Quarterly Service Reports and monitoring significant developments, particularly:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Better Care Fund • The Care Act • Improvements at Heatherwood and Wexham Park Hospitals following the acquisition by Frimley Park Hospital Trust • Provision of sufficient GP surgeries to match long-term growth in the Borough's population (see below)
2.	<p>Implementing the new Approach to Health Scrutiny</p> <p>To deliver the new approach to health scrutiny as recommended by the Panel's Working Group on the Francis report.</p>

3.	<p>2016/17 Budget Scrutiny</p> <p>To review the Council's budget proposals for public health in 2016/17, and plans for future years.</p>
4.	<p>Responding to NHS Quality Accounts and Consultations</p> <p>Under Department of Health guidance, the Health O&S Panel should provide comments on the annual Quality Accounts produced by the NHS Trusts nearby, and the Panel is a statutory consultee for any substantial variation in NHS services affecting the Borough.</p>
5.	<p>GP Capacity</p> <p>To form a Working Group to review whether there is sufficient GP capacity to match the long-term growth in the Borough's population and other demands.</p>

Future Possible Reviews

1.	<p>Public Health</p> <p>To review the operation and effectiveness of the pan-Berkshire public health arrangements with other local authorities.</p> <p>To carry out a joint review with other O&S Panels, on the Council's wider actions on the transferred public health (PH) responsibilities. To include the immunisations programme, also integration of the PH function with other council services - such as measures to prevent ill-health and to promote good health, so as to achieve the best overall impact for residents.</p>
2.	<p>The Royal Berkshire Bracknell Healthspace</p> <p>To review the services offered at The Royal Berkshire Bracknell Healthspace (Brants Bridge), including cancer and renal facilities, the Urgent Care Centre and the GP Out of Hours service.</p>