

HEALTH SCRUTINY PANEL
29 JANUARY 2013
NHS TRANSITION ARRANGEMENTS UPDATE
REPORT OF HEAD OF DEMOCRATIC SERVICES

1. Purpose

- 1.1 To fulfil the remit of the Health Scrutiny Panel to
- a) scrutinise local arrangements for the commissioning and delivery of local health services to ensure reduced health inequalities, access to services and the best health outcomes for citizens; and
 - b) monitor the Council Executive's statutory responsibility to ensure an effective LINK through commissioning a host organisation.

2. Action required

- 2.1 The Committee is asked to consider the updates provided by contributors and to discuss progress with them to ensure
- a) that robust arrangements are in place for commissioning and delivery as we transfer to new arrangements under the Health and Social Care Act; and
 - b) that effective arrangements are in place to support the transition to Local Healthwatch from April 2013.

3. Background information

- 3.1 The Health and Social Care Act requires significant changes to arrangements for the commissioning and delivery of local health services.
- 3.2 It was agreed at the Panel's first meeting in September 2011 that each key area of NHS transition would be scrutinised at every meeting to ensure that arrangements for the commissioning and delivery of local health services are robust and in the best interests of local health services, patients and the public.
- 3.3 At its November 2012 meeting, councillors were updated on the approvals route for the establishment of the Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG). The Panel also received an update in respect of the commissioning process for Local Healthwatch in Nottingham, as well public health transfer arrangements.
- 3.4 At this meeting, colleagues will provide the Panel will a verbal outline of progress as follows:
- Dawn Smith, Chief Operating Officer, NHS Nottingham City CCG will update the Panel on its formal establishment, as well as on the development of its Strategy and Annual Plan;
 - Andrew Hall, Acting Director of Health and Wellbeing Transition NHS Nottingham City / Nottingham City Council, will advise on progress in respect of:

- Local Healthwatch
- Public Health transition to local authority and
- Nottingham City Health and Wellbeing Board.

3.5 It is the role of this Panel to

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3.6 In order to fulfil this role, councillors will need to engage in focused discussion and questioning in order to be reassured that robust arrangements are in place.

4. List of attached information

None.

5. Background papers, other than published works or those disclosing exempt or confidential information

None.

6. Published documents referred to in compiling this report

Health and Social Care Act 2012

<http://services.parliament.uk/bills/2010-11/healthandsocialcare.html>

Reports to and minutes of the Health Scrutiny Panel meeting 29 November 2011

7. Wards affected

All

8. Contact information

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