

<b>JOINT CITY AND COUNTY HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE</b>
<b>10 NOVEMBER 2015</b>
<b>JOINT CITY AND COUNTY HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE 2015/16</b>
<b>REPORT OF HEAD OF DEMOCRATIC SERVICES</b>

### **Purpose**

- 1.1 To consider the Committee's work programme for 2015/16, based on areas of work identified by the Committee at previous meetings and any further suggestions raised at this meeting.

### **2. Action required**

- 2.1 The Committee is asked to note the work that is currently planned for municipal year 2015/16 and make amendments to this plan if considered appropriate.

### **3. Background information**

- 3.1 The Joint City and County Health Scrutiny Committee is responsible for setting and managing its own work programme to fulfil its role in relation to health services accessed by both City and County residents, including:
  - scrutinising the commissioning and delivery of local health services
  - holding local decision makers to account
  - carrying out the statutory role in relation to proposals for substantial developments or variations in NHS funded services
  - responding to consultations from local health service commissioners and providers.

The detailed terms of reference for the Committee can be found in the respective Council Constitutions.

- 3.2 In setting a programme for scrutiny activity, the Committee should aim for an outcome-focused work programme that has clear priorities and a clear link to its roles and responsibilities as outlined above. The work programme needs to be flexible so that issues which arise as the year progresses can be considered appropriately. This is likely to include consultations from health service commissioners and providers about substantial variations and developments in health services that the Committee has statutory responsibilities in relation to.
- 3.3 Where there are a number of potential items that could be scrutinised in a given year, consideration of what represents the highest priority or area of risk will assist with work programme planning. Changes and/or additions to the work programme will need to take account of the resources available to the Committee.

- 3.4 The work programme for the coming municipal year is attached at Appendix 1, based on areas of work identified by the Committee at previous meetings and suggestions already put forward by Councillors. Councillors are asked to put forward any other possible suggestions of issues for scrutiny.

**4. List of attached information**

- 4.1 The following information can be found in the appendix to this report:

**Appendix 1 – Joint Health Scrutiny Com 2015/16 Work Programme**

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

None.

**6. Published documents referred to in compiling this report**

Reports to and Minutes of Joint Health Scrutiny Committee meetings held 21 April 2015, 16 June 2015, 14 JULY 2015, 15 September 2015, and 13 October.

**7. Wards affected**

All.

**8. Contact information**

Clare Routledge, Health Scrutiny Project Lead

Tel: 0115 8763514

Email: [clare.routledge@nottinghamcity.gov.uk](mailto:clare.routledge@nottinghamcity.gov.uk)