

<b>HEALTH SCRUTINY PANEL</b>
<b>30 JULY 2014</b>
<b>DISCUSSION WITH PORTFOLIO HOLDER FOR ADULTS, COMMISSIONING AND HEALTH</b>
<b>REPORT OF HEAD OF DEMOCRATIC SERVICES</b>

**1. Purpose**

- 1.1 To hear from the Portfolio Holder for Adults, Commissioning and Health about progress in delivery of objectives relating to health and adult social care; current areas of work and priorities for the year ahead; and future challenges and plans for addressing them.

**2. Action required**

- 2.1 The Panel is asked to use the information received at the meeting from the Portfolio Holder for Adults, Commissioning and Health to inform questioning as part of scrutiny's role in holding the Executive to account and to identify where scrutiny can most usefully support the achievement of Council priorities relating to health and adult social care.

**3. Background information**

- 3.1 As part of scrutiny's role in holding the Executive to account, every year the Panel invites the Portfolio Holder with responsibility for health and adult social care issues to attend a meeting to discuss:
- a) progress of delivery of objectives relating to health and adult social care over the last year;
  - b) current areas of work and priorities for the year ahead; and
  - c) future challenges and plans for addressing them.
- 3.2 Councillor Alex Norris has been appointed Portfolio Holder for Adults, Commissioning and Health for 2014/15 and will be attending the meeting.
- 3.3 The remit of this Portfolio has expanded since 2013/14 with the addition of commissioning responsibilities.
- 3.4 When the Panel spoke to Councillor Norris in July 2013 he identified the following areas as those in which he believed he could add particular value as Portfolio Holder:

## Health

- i) driving delivery on the priorities of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy
- ii) continuing, and completing the transition of public health into the City Council
- iii) creating a sense of stability during a period of significant change in the NHS

## Adults

- iv) supporting the continued existence of the Council as a direct provider of care, helping to drive up standards in the sector
- v) ensuring personalisation is appropriately applied and supported.

- 3.5 The Portfolio Holder for Adults, Commissioning and Health is also the Chair of the Health and Wellbeing Board. The Board has been in operation for over one year now and 12 month progress against the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy was recently reported to the Board. The Panel may wish to explore the Portfolio Holder's assessment of the development and progress of the Board and its Strategy.
- 3.6 The Panel may wish to take this opportunity to discuss with the Portfolio Holder how scrutiny can support achievement of the Council's priorities relating to health and adult social care and/ or address the challenges that it faces. This can be used to inform the Panel's work programme.

## **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**

Minutes of the meeting of the Health Scrutiny Panel held on 24 July 2013.

## **7. Wards affected**

All

## **8. Contact information**

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