

<b>HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE</b>
<b>21 JULY 2016</b>
<b>HEALTHWATCH NOTTINGHAM ANNUAL REPORT 2015/16</b>
<b>REPORT OF CORPORATE DIRECTOR FOR RESILIENCE</b>

**1 Purpose**

1.1 To consider the Healthwatch Nottingham Annual Report 2015/16

**2 Action required**

2.1 The Committee is asked to give consideration to the Healthwatch Nottingham Annual Report 2015/16 and identify if there are any implications for health scrutiny operation and work programme.

**3 Background information**

3.1 Healthwatch is a consumer champion in health and social care. It has a role at both national and local level to make sure that views of the public and service users are taken into account in decision making.

3.2 Since April 2013 every local authority with social services responsibilities has been required to establish arrangements for a Local Healthwatch organisation. In Nottingham this is Healthwatch Nottingham.

3.3 Healthwatch Nottingham is an independent organisation but the Council holds the contract for local Healthwatch arrangements and is responsible for ensuring that the arrangements operate effectively. Earlier this year the Council agreed funding for a further 12 months to the end of 2016/17.

3.4 In the working agreement between Health Scrutiny, Healthwatch Nottingham and the Health and Wellbeing Board, Healthwatch Nottingham agreed to provide a copy of its annual report to the Health Scrutiny Committee.

3.5 The Healthwatch Nottingham Annual Report 2015/16 is attached.

3.6 A representative of Healthwatch Nottingham will be attending the meeting to present the annual report and answer questions from the Committee about its content.

**4 List of attached information**

4.1 Healthwatch Nottingham Annual Report 2015/16

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

5.1 None

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

6.1 Delegated Decision 2458 'Healthwatch Funding 2016/17'

**7 Wards affected**

7.1 All

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