

HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
20 JULY 2017
HEALTHWATCH NOTTINGHAM ANNUAL REPORT 2016/17
REPORT OF HEAD OF LEGAL AND GOVERNANCE SERVICES

1 Purpose

- 1.1 To consider the Healthwatch Nottingham Annual Report 2016/17

2 Action required

- 2.1 The Committee is asked to give consideration to the Healthwatch Nottingham Annual Report 2016/17 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.
- 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 2016/17 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 2016/17

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 None

7 Wards affected

7.1 All

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