

Committee(s)	Date(s):
Policy & Resources Committee Community & Children's Services Committee	10 December 2015 11 December 2015
Subject: Review of Health and Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Governance	Public
Report of: Town Clerk	For Decision

Summary

In light of how recent national developments had impacted on the way local authorities exercise their health overview and scrutiny function, your Health & Social Care Scrutiny Sub Committee agreed to examine whether there were any areas where its health and social care scrutiny functions could be strengthened, and to evaluate the resource and governance implications.

A report presenting the options available regarding Committee governance was considered by the Health & Social Care Scrutiny Sub Committee at its meeting on 2 November 2015 and is attached at Appendix 1.

The Community & Children's Services and Policy & Resources Committees are now asked to approve the recommendations made by the Sub Committee regarding future governance, as set out below.

Recommendation(s)

Subject to the approval of the Court of Common Council, the **Community & Children's Services Committee** is asked to agree the following:

- The Health & Social Care Scrutiny Sub Committee's recommendation of dissolving the Health & Social Care Scrutiny Sub Committee;
- That no Member of the Community & Children's Services Committee or the Health & Wellbeing Board should serve on the Health & Social Care Scrutiny Committee;
- In view of the proposed restrictions on the 'pool' of Members available to constitute the Health & Social Care Scrutiny Committee, that the new Health & Social Care Committee should be one of those listed as an exception under Standing Order 29(3) in terms of dual Chairmanship;

Subject to the approval of the Court of Common Council, the **Policy & Resources Committee** is asked to agree the following:

- The Health & Social Care Scrutiny Sub Committee's recommendation to retain the combined responsibility for scrutiny of health and social care under a new stand-alone Health & Social Care Scrutiny Committee;

- That no Member of the Community & Children’s Services Committee or the Health & Wellbeing Board should serve on the Health & Social Care Scrutiny Committee;
- In view of the proposed restrictions on the ‘pool’ of Members available to constitute the Health & Social Care Scrutiny Committee, that the new Health & Social Care Committee should be one of those listed as an exception under Standing Order 29(3) in terms of dual Chairmanship;

Appendices

- Appendix 1 – Review of Health and Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Functions, Reports to Health and Social Care Scrutiny Sub (Community and Children’s Services) Committee, 2 November 2015

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