

**NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL****SCRUTINY OF HEALTH COMMITTEE****7 November 2014****Remit of the Committee and Main Areas of Work****Purpose of Report**

1. The purpose of this report is to highlight the role of the Scrutiny of Health Committee (SoHC) and to review the work programme taking into account current areas of involvement and decisions taken in respect of earlier agenda items.

**Introduction**

2. The role of the SoHC is to review any matter relating to the planning, provision and operation of health services in the County.
3. Broadly speaking the bulk of the Committee's work falls into the following categories:
  - a) being consulted on the reconfiguration of healthcare and public health services locally;
  - b) contributing to the Department of Health's Quality Accounts initiative and the Care Quality Commission's process of registering NHS trusts;
  - c) carrying out detailed examination into a particular healthcare/public health service;
4. The Committee's powers include:
  - reviewing and scrutinising any matter relating to the planning, provision and operation of health services in the local authority's area;
  - requiring NHS bodies to provide information within 28 days to and attend (through officers) before meetings of the committee to answer questions necessary for the discharge of health scrutiny functions;
  - making reports and recommendations to local NHS bodies and to the local authority on any health matters that they scrutinise;
  - requiring NHS bodies to respond within a fixed timescale to the health scrutiny reports or recommendations;
  - requiring NHS bodies to consult health scrutiny on proposals for substantial developments or variations to the local health service;
  - referring contested proposals to the Secretary of State for Health.

### **Scheduled Committee Dates**

5. The Committee meetings up to May 2016 are:

#### **2015**

- 23 January
- 24 April
- 12 June
- 4 September
- 6 November

#### **2016**

- 22 January
- 22 April

6. All of the above meetings start at 10.00am. Venues are yet to be confirmed.

### **On-Going and Emerging Areas of Work**

7. The Committee's work programme and areas of involvement are summarised in APPENDIX 1.

#### **Recommendation**

8. That Members review the Committee's work programme, taking into account issues highlighted in this report, the outcome of discussions on previous agenda items and any other healthcare developments taking place across the County.

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**21 October 2014**

**Background Documents: None**

**NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL****Scrutiny of Health Committee – Work Programme/Areas of Involvement - 2014/15 (as at October 2014)**

(Note: Shading denotes period of involvement)

	2014	2015				
<i>Scheduled Committee Meetings</i>	7 Nov	23 Jan	24 Apr	12 June	4 Sept	6 Nov
1. South Tees Hospitals NHS FT - Investigation by Monitor and financial situation of the Trust						
2. Hambleton, Richmondshire & Whitby CCG: Whitby - "Fit 4 the Future"						
3. Hambleton, Richmondshire & Whitby CCG: Hambleton and Richmondshire - "Fit 4 the Future"						
4. Scarborough & Ryedale CCG: Integrated Urgent Care Model – Implementation						
5. Escrick GP Surgery						
6. National Review of Congenital Heart Surgery (Adults and Children)						
7. Outcome of Government Task Force on CAMHS – Local Implementation						
8. Mental Health services in the Craven area						
9. Health checks						
10. All Age Autism Strategy						