



# AGENDA

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**Meeting:** Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee  
**Place:** Wiltshire County Council, County Hall, Trowbridge  
**Committee Room:** Committee Room 5  
**Date:** Thursday 19 July 2007  
**Time:** 10:30

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| <b>Briefing Arrangements:</b> | <b>Date</b> | <b>Time</b> | <b>Place</b>    |
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| Committee Members Only        | 19 July     | 09:30       | Scrutiny Office |

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## Membership:

### Councillors (WCC):

Dr J M English  
Mrs M E Groom  
Mr M Hewson  
Mr W Moss  
Mr J B Osborn  
Mrs P Rugg  
Mrs J H Seager  
Mr R S While  
Mrs M White

### Councillors (District Councils):

Mr M Hewitt (Salisbury District Council)  
Mr B Mudge (West Wiltshire District Council)  
Mrs Sheila Parker (North Wiltshire District Council)  
Mrs P Winchcombe (Kennet District Council)

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## Stakeholders:

### Patient & Public Involvement Forum:

Dr P Biggs – Chair, Wiltshire PPI Forum  
Mike Griffiths – Wiltshire PPI Forum  
Terry White – Wiltshire PPI Forum  
Anna Farquhar – Great Western Ambulance PPI Forum  
Helen Thompson – Avon & Wiltshire Mental Health Trust PPI Forum

### Wilts & Swindon User's Network:

Jean Cole

## **Part 1**

### **Items to be considered while the meeting is open to the public**

**1. Apologies**

**2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

To receive the minutes of the meeting held on 17 May 2007.

**3. Chairman's Announcements**

**4. Members Interests**

To receive any declarations of personal or prejudicial interests or dispensations granted by the Standards Committee.

**5. Public Participation**

The County Council welcomes contributions from members of the public. This meeting is open to members of the public who may ask a question or make a statement. Written notice of questions or statements should be submitted by 12.00 noon on Tuesday 17 July 2007. Anyone wishing to ask a question or make a statement should contact the officer named above. Speakers are limited to two minutes.

**6. Wiltshire Primary Care Trust – Update on Reforming Community Services**

Alison Knowles, Director for Corporate Affairs and Communications, will give a verbal update on progress made by the PCT since the last meeting.

Since the last meeting the Neighbourhood Teams have gone live and a number of changes have been made to community hospital services in Devizes and Chippenham.

The Pathways for Change Task Group met on 22 June to hear from representatives of the PCT who are putting together the Neighbourhood Teams. A short summary of this meeting is attached.

Members are asked to note the updates. The Service Reconfiguration Task Group will continue in its monitoring role and will report any concerns to the Committee.

Also attached is a letter from the Department of Health in response to the letter sent by the Chairman to the Secretary of State in May. Since the letter was sent there has been a change in the Cabinet and a new Secretary of State appointed.

## **7. Avon Valley Practice – Update on Consultation**

Alison Knowles will give a verbal update about the consultation, which will end on 23 July 2007.

The consultation document and questionnaire are attached.

The Committee is asked to consider its response to the consultation and may wish to consider appointing a small working party of two or three members to put together the response on behalf of the Committee.

## **8. Wiltshire PCT Urgent Care Strategy**

Nicholas Gillard of Wiltshire PCT will present the Urgent Care Strategy on behalf of the PCT.

The draft Urgent Care Strategy is attached for consideration.

The Committee is asked to consider its response to the consultation and may wish to consider appointing a small working party of two or three members to put together the response on behalf of the Committee.

## **9. Delayed Transfers of Care**

Wiltshire has a history of problems with delayed transfers of care from hospitals back into the community or a sheltered/care setting.

A short paper has been attached outlining the nature of the problem.

Delayed transfers of care have a great effect on all the agencies providing care, as well as on the patients and their families.

Members are asked to consider the points raised by the report and the suggestion that a scrutiny task group carries out a review.

## **10. South West Health Scrutiny Network**

Members will be aware that for the last two years the Centre for Public Scrutiny has made development money available to individual health OSCs, which Wiltshire has used to hold a series of seminars.

However, this money has now been discontinued and a sum of money will be made available for health OSCs to run a regional scrutiny network.

Further details about the network are contained within the paper attached.

Members are asked to note the paper and to feed any views on the development of the South West Health Scrutiny Network to the health scrutiny officer.

## **11. Fees and Expenses for Task Group Members**

The attached paper outlines a plan to recognise the work of non-elected individuals who sit on scrutiny task groups, but who not receive an allowance for their work from their own organising body.

Members are asked to approve the recommendation in the report.

## **12. Date of Next Meeting**

20 September 2007 – 10.30

## **PART II**

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**Items during whose consideration it is recommended that the public should be excluded because of the likelihood that exempt information would be disclosed.**