

Joint Great Western Ambulance Overview and Scrutiny Committee
Work Programme Version 5, July 2008

Introduction

This document outlines the work programme for the Joint Health Scrutiny Committee.

Where possible, a 45 minute pre-meeting will be held before all formal Committee meetings. These will be held in private.

Members are reminded that the work programme is a living document and will be reviewed at every Committee meeting to ensure that it remains relevant and to plan future meetings.

Glossary

S = Swindon Borough Council

G = Gloucestershire County Council

GWA = Great Western Ambulance NHS Trust

B = Bristol City Council

HOSC = Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee

PCT = Primary Care Trust

26th September 2008, Swindon Borough Council

Proposed Outcome	Issues to be Considered	Witnesses Required	Evidence Required
To consider evidence from public & patient involvement groups regarding the engagement with the Trust to improve performance	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• How GWA engages with PPI groups to develop, plan and deliver services• The views of PPI groups regarding the performance of GWA	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Representatives from GWA External Reference Group• Representatives from LINKs• Community First Responders• Representatives from other interested PPI groups	Covering report to be produced by the Scrutiny Officer

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To consider the latest performance management information from GWA, including District Response times	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To consider any issues arising from the performance report 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Representative from GWA Senior Management Team to answer any questions 	<p>August 2008 'Managing Our Performance Report' presented to the GWA Board</p> <p>August 2008 District Response Times</p>

31st October 2008, North Somerset Council – Weston-Super-Mare Campus

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To consider the role of NHS South West, the National Ambulance Improvement Agency and Healthcare Commission in performance management (<i>Provisional – dependent on whether Members wish to pursue this work</i>)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Role of NHS SW in monitoring performance of GWA and remedial action taken in response to failure to meet targets Role of National Ambulance Improvement Agency in supporting failing Trusts and views of NAIA on steps taken by GWA and commissioners to address issues raised in their report Role of the Healthcare Commission in monitoring the performance of GWA 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Representative from NHS South West Representative from National Ambulance Improvement Agency Representative from the Healthcare Commission 	<p>Report from NHS South West outlining its role in monitoring and supporting improvements in GWA performance</p> <p>Report from NAIA outlining its role</p> <p>Report from the Healthcare Commission outlining its role</p>

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To agree recommendations arising from review carried out by the Committee between February 2008 and October 2008.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key issues arising from the review, recommendations to be put forward by the Committee and how these will be pursued. Consider draft report arising from review • Recommendations to be included in the final report of the review • To agree future role of Joint Committee & Terms of Reference 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A 	Scrutiny Officer to produce draft recommendations for consideration by the Committee in consultation with the Chair and Members.
To consider future role of Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To review whether the Committee has fulfilled its Terms of Reference • To identify learning points • To consider the future role, if any, of the Committee, including Terms of Reference 	N/A	<p>Scrutiny Officer to produce a report summarising feedback from NHS stakeholders, Members, Scrutiny Officers regarding the experience of being involved with the Joint Committee and learning points.</p> <p>Scrutiny Officer to produce draft Terms of Reference for 'phase 2' of the Committee for consideration by Members.</p>